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Caba Seeks Cuts In School Budget From Council

Town Manager's Edward A. Caba's \$18.9 million town budget for fiscal 1983 has received some praise and some criticism after it was officially released on Tuesday.

Almost Same Level

The overall budget package which was released Tuesday is approximately the same level as last year's \$18.8 million budget.

Three key areas of the budget as proposed by Caba are the revival of the town's Parks and Recreation Department, the concept of a full-time community developer, and the cutting of the School Department's \$7.88 million budget, which represents approximately 42 percent of the overall town budget.

School Committee Chairwoman Rosemary Sandlin would not directly criticize Caba's recommendation to Town Council that the school budget be cut, but she did express disappointment that the School Department would again have "to fight to save our budget."

"I cannot predict what the council will do in its wisdom," Mrs. Sandlin said. "But I have to say again we have submitted an educationally sound budget for the children of Agawam. If the budget comes back to us for cuts, I guess the School Committee will have to make the necessary agonizing decisions."

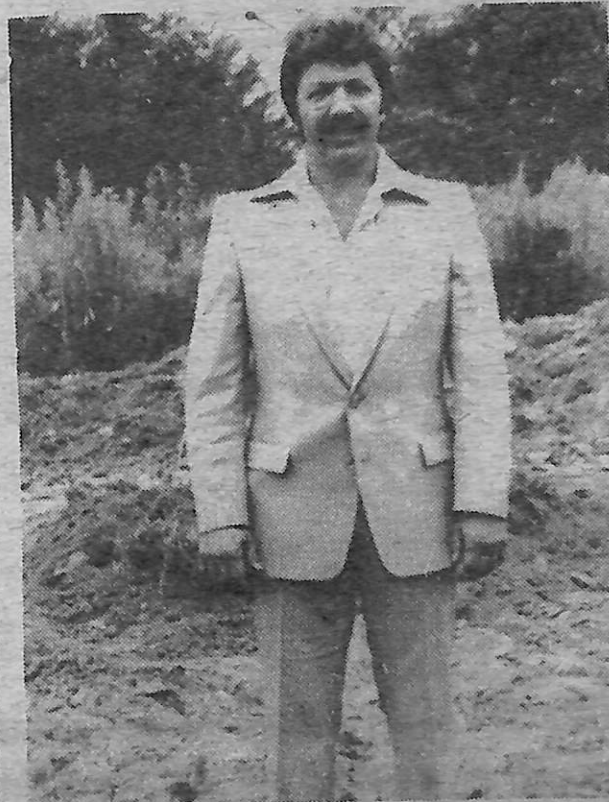
Mrs. Sandlin said the committee will make a strong attempt to convince the council not to cut the school budget during the council's budget deliberations.

The board last week agreed to seek a \$7.4 million budget for next year and to request an additional \$400,000 be set aside for raises for the system's 309 teachers, who are now negotiating for a new three-year contract with the committee.

Town Council President Donald Rheault said he was pleased with his initial review of the budget and praised Caba for the "great time and effort he (Caba) put into it in adhering to proper budget techniques."

Rheault, a strong supporter of bringing back the town's Parks and Recreation Department, said he agreed with Caba's approach to the issue which raised a storm here a year ago.

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DEVELOPER RALPH DEPALMA

Council Passes Zone Change For DePalma Condos

For the first time in ten years, Town Council has passed a major development. Councilors voted 10-5 Monday to approve a zone change for a 158-unit condominium project off Suffield Street requested by prominent local developer Ralph DePalma.

Needed 10 Votes

Needing a 2/3 vote of the council (10 votes), the proposal to rezone the 20-acre site of the former Antler

Club was supported by Councilors Daniel Lacienski, Frederick Nardi, Mario DeLucchi, Donald Rheault, Jack Shaughnessy, Richard Theroux, Thomas Coppola, Andrew Gallano, Benjamin Lockhart and Stephen Cincotta.

Councilors voting in dissent were Dennis Roberts, Paul Paleologopoulos, Alfred Trehey, Walter Kerr and Peter Mazza.

Public opposition to the \$10 million project was light compared to previous zone change requests for large developments here.

DePalma said after the vote, "I wish to personally thank the council for supporting my request which will substantially add to the tax base in the community. We will build exactly what we promised at the site and make the community proud of our complex."

DePalma and his partner, Springfield Attorney Joseph Pagella, said the town would realize \$240,000 annually from the condominium project, which is projected to be completed within three years.

Most of the comments from councilors at the public hearing were positive about the complex. Council President Donald Rheault was a leader in the support for the complex.

Rheault said, "This is a difficult decision but I have weighed all the issues very carefully and I'm going to support this."

Rheault would later say that the council vote indicates the growing awareness that stabilizing the tax base is a must for the community.

Tax Base Important

"There is no question that we have to do things to help the tax base, and I firmly believe that this is a very positive step," Rheault said.

Area abutters and some residents off Main Street launched some opposition at the project during the public hearing and claimed the project would tax already over-burdened School, Police and Fire Departments and would add traffic to an already hazardous street.

Pagella, during his presentation, pointed out to councilors that the town's 532 condominium units have "very little" crime and said the developers would be responsible for vital services to the complex.

A long line of proponents addressed the council, including former Precinct 3 Councilor Kenneth Barnes and former Council President Julio Alvirgini.

DePalma, who is president of Diplomat Builders Inc., said the project will be built in phases with 32 units going up this year. The project will be completed by early 1985, he said.



TOWN MANAGER EDWARD A. CABA AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT DONALD M. RHEAULT present Gerald Mason, chairman of the upcoming Agawam 8-mile CROP walk, scheduled for Sunday, May 16th, and John Hauser, area CROP coordinator, with a proclamation from the town in recognition of Agawam's contribution to help stamp-out world hunger. Rheault is serving as the local drive's honorary chairman and Caba is scheduled to walk for route. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

CROP Walk May 16th

The 8-mile CROP walk, or Agawam's Walk For The Hungry, is scheduled for Sunday, May 16th, at 1:00 p.m. at Agawam High School.

Drive Chairman Gerald J. Mason urges residents to join with their friends and members of nine local churches sponsoring the event which will aid hungry and needy people in the world.

The churches are Agawam Baptist Church, Agawam Congregational Church, Agawam United Methodist Church, Feeding Hills Congregational Church, St. John The Evangelist Church, St. Theresa Church, Sacred Heart Church, St. Anthony of Padua Church, Valley Community Church and St. David's Episcopal Church.

Some of the Agawam groups and organizations set to participate are The Agawam Advertiser/News, Agawam School Committee, Feeding Hills Women's Club, Agawam Lions Club, Elm Lodge, Agawam Rotary Club, Agawam Police Association, Agawam Athletic Association, Town Council, Heritage Hall Nursing Home, Police Chief Stanley Chmielewski, Town Manager Edward Caba, Agawam Congregational Boy Scout Troop 82, Agawam Congregational Youth Group, Agawam Food Mart, Operation Friendship of Feeding Hills Congregational Church, Agawam Public Market, and Agawam Youth and Counseling Center.

Anyone interested in participating should immediately contact Gerald Mason at 786-5624 or at the Court House Racquetball and Health Fitness Facility where sponsor sheets can be picked up from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. any day.

Work May Commence This Summer...

Council Approves I-Plan, 11-4

By Stuart Parker

Agawam Town Council voted to accept the WestMass Area Development Corporation's proposal to develop the 320-acre Bowles Field into an industrial park and to grant \$600,000 toward the project in two separate 11 to 4 votes early Tuesday morning.

The second public hearing for the plan, which commenced at 7:00 p.m. at the Middle School on Main St. to accommodate a gathering of nearly three hundred citizens, was followed by hours of often-heated debate and concluded with the acceptance of the WestMass plan in the hopes of broadening the town's tax base and creating new jobs.

WestMass officials project their industrial park will add \$1.25 million in taxes to the town and 4,000 additional jobs when the project is completed in 1993.

The Agawam EDIC, the vehicle for transferring town funds toward industrial developments, will grant the \$600,000 to WestMass to be used in conjunction with a \$250,000 interest-free loan from area businesses and banks to aid in the \$1.2 million purchase of Bowles Field from the Republic Publishing Co.

WestMass expects to incur an additional \$4.6 million worth of expenditures from legal fees, brokerage fees, administration costs, contingencies, interest, demolition, and road construction.

WestMass Director Donald Binns said these funds would come from land sales and told town councilors, "We will not be back for more money."

Binns further said WestMass would return money to the town if they received a possible \$1 million state grant for road construction. "If we receive these funds, we'll return it to the town dollar for dollar," he said.

Following the council vote, Town Manager Edward Caba said, "We're all going to work hard to see this park completed as soon as possible and to derive the benefits of a broadened tax base."

Town Council President Donald Rheault, who voted against the proposal, said afterwards, "The majority of the council has spoken, and we will all work diligently to make this proposal as successful as WestMass has projected."

While a good majority of the council did support the proposal, the tone of the evening was vastly different from the first vote of support given by the previous council in December, 1981.

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The four councilmen against the proposal - Rheault, Frederick Nardi, Daniel Lacienski, and Stephen Cincotta - clearly stated their reasons for opposition.

"We made a mistake when we voted before to support a plan we didn't thoroughly understand and before a public hearing could be held on it," said Rheault. "While I favor an industrial park at Bowles Field, I want to be certain our actions are legal and the WestMass proposal our best offer." Rheault questioned whether funds from Free Cash could be used for development and whether they had to be used to reduce the tax rate.

Nardi argued, "WestMass will not support an airport." He continued, "Taking the taxpayer's money for this shouldn't be a question of legality, but of morality."

Lacienski said he could not understand why the EDIC of WestMass would not view the airport as a form of industry and said he questioned the WestMass budget.

Cincotta put forward a tabelling motion, which failed 8 to 7, saying, "I've heard from developers who wish to develop the land at no cost to the town." However, Cincotta said the developers requested anonymity.

Councilmen Andrew Gallano, Richard Theroux, Dennis Roberts, and Paul Paleologopoulos led the arguments opposed to tabelling the issue and in favor of accepting the plan.

"All these last minute arguments will amount to no more than further delay," Gallano argued. "WestMass needs Agawam like a hole in the head. But Agawam needs WestMass and their expertise very badly."

Theroux also criticized the questions as "eleventh hour" and said, "if someone else has a plan, all I can ask is 'where were they before?'"

Dennis Roberts argued, "it's mandatory we address this issue tonight. As the legislative body of town government, it's necessary we provide the stability companies will want from government if they're to consider locating in Agawam."

"If we don't vote for this tonight, we'll never have an industrial park up there," Paleologopoulos contended. "Cincotta's motion is ridiculous, and certain councilors will have questions forever."

Binns, taking the brunt of questioning over an airport, explained that the 40-acre parcel for an airport as proposed by the airport committee was inaccurate. "An airport would require between 75 to 100 acres of land and would not produce the kind of tax revenue as industry would."

WestMass hopes work on the industrial park can commence this summer.

CABA BUDGET - From Page 1...

Bowen Proposed Elimination

Former Manager Richard J. Bowen proposed the complete elimination of the department and the council reinstated \$41,773 into a drastically reduced department.

Caba asks for \$55,150, the return of the summer playground program, and a full-time director's position. Former P&R Director Jack Kunasek now serves in a part-time capacity as few town-sponsored programs exist.

On the negative, Rheault was highly critical of Caba's \$35,000 request for a community development department, an issue which Bowen could never get off the ground in proposing the department last year at a funding level of \$42,000.

Rheault, as he did a year ago, questioned establishing a new department through the municipal budget and says the move is reorganization and would require a 2/3 vote of Town Council to pass.

"Last year I took this to the District Attorney's Office because I felt we could not establish a new department through the budget. The DA's review seemed to agree with my contention," Rheault said.

He also called the community development department a "luxury item."

New Department

Caba recommends that the new department would include the Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Board of Health, and Building Inspection Department. The duties of the individual boards would not be diminished, according to Caba.

Caba's budget does not include allowance for pay raises that may occur after negotiations with the town's seven municipal unions this fall. More than 200 town workers are involved.

Caba's package calls for the elimination of two positions, including a school nurse, and does not include a request from Police Chief Stanley J. Chmielewski for three more patrolmen.

"I believe the budget reflects our concerns for being careful with the taxpayers' money and, hopefully, the budget process will go as smoothly as possible," Caba today said.

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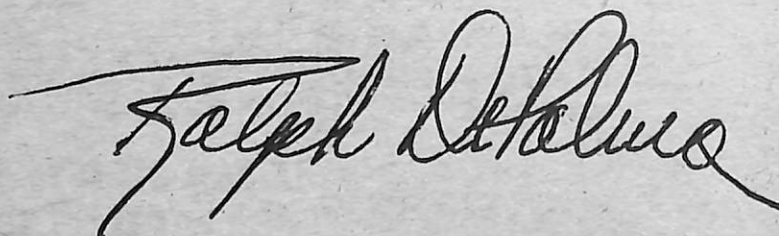
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Ralph DePalma

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Rheault Unveils New Budget Process

Town Council President Donald M. Rheault and Council Vice-President Dennis Roberts today said that the Monday, May 13th budget subcommittee meeting slated for 7:30 p.m. at the Junior High School will sport a new format this year.

Area Of Responsibility

According to Rheault, each of the five subcommittees will meet at the same time in different sections of the Junior High cafeteria to review their areas of responsibility in Town Manager Edward A. Caba's \$18.9 million municipal budget.

The subcommittees include police and fire, school department, DPW, school maintenance, and town administration.

Town Council revived the council sub-committee format this year after abolishing the committees last year on the request of former Town Manager Richard J. Bowen.

Rheault said past budget subcommittee processes have been "long and drawn-out" and places a tremendous strain on the administration.

Under the new format, all subcommittee meetings will be held with the town manager, town accountant, and Council President Rheault available at a table set up in the middle of the Junior High cafeteria.

Each subcommittee will have a separate section of the cafeteria to meet and review budgets, and if a question or problem arises with a department budget, town officials and the council president will utilize their area as a "center of information," as Rheault described.

Together At Same Site

"In this way, town officials can all be together with all five subcommittees. I don't think it's fair for the accountant or manager to have to go all over town to attend budget meetings. Now, everyone will be in the

same place and will have easy access to each other."

Rheault said the plan is cost- and time-efficient since subcommittees will not meeting in various locations throughout the community on different nights.

Each subcommittee, Rheault said, will be given a form to complete after reviewing a department budget. For example, if the subcommittee decides that no change in the budget is necessary, the committee chairman will simply write-in the full budget figure requested by the manager.

If a change occurs, the subcommittee must write on the form an explanation of why they are recommending a reduction in the budget.

Rheault said the full council will take formal votes on department budgets "one-by-one" after receiving recommendations from the subcommittees.

After the council holds a public hearing on the municipal budget, it will then schedule another meeting to adopt the entire budget.

"I've received some good feedback from councilors on this process and, hopefully, it will work smoothly. If there are some problems with a particular department budget, we can iron them out before voting for the entire package."

"In the past," Rheault noted, "some of us may have had a problem with one portion of the budget and therefore, we were very uncomfortable in voting for the budget which was presented to us in a "take it or leave it" manner.

"When the council comes back to adopt the entire budget after the public hearing, there may be some areas that we may again wish to address based on the public feedback, but for the most part, we'll know where we want to go," Rheault said.

Council Tables Action On Sewer Betterments

At Monday's regular meeting, Town Council has tabled a motion to rescind the betterment assessment which would charge 401 lots in Feeding Hills under the Phase II sewer construction project as much as \$2,300.

Precinct 2 Councilor Daniel Lacienski requested the issue be tabled until Town Attorney Lambert Ollari could confirm whether Agawam's sewer betterment ordinance conformed with state law.

Lacienski said he received information which indicates sewer betterments must be charged on a per-foot frontage basis. Depending on interpretation, the law may also require all betterments be proportioned by all who have and will have sewers.

The motion to rescind will remain tabled until the first meeting in June.

Will Daignault, chairman of the Sewerless Homes Committee, said, "All we can do now is hope the town attorney shares our understanding of the law."

During last Monday's meeting, both Daignault and James McNamee, also a member of the Sewerless Homes Committee, went before the council during citizen speak time and said they were not asking for a free ride, but a fair and just fee, more in line with the fees other Agawam residents have paid for sewers.

Precinct 5 Councilor Andrew Gallano argued that the issue should not go before the attorney, but to the Ordinance Subcommittee. "That's what they're there for," he said.

However, Lacienski maintained if the ordinance were not in accordance with state law, it had no place in the council subcommittee.

Melconian Says State "Playing Chicken" With Local Aid

Democratic State Senate candidate Linda Melconian today charged the State Legislature is "playing chicken" with local cities and towns" in its latest local aid proposal which would increase local assistance by \$133 million.

The candidate for the Second Hampden-Hampshire State Senate seat said, "Last year there were at least a dozen local aid proposals and until the last minute no city or town in the Commonwealth was assured of what the level of state aid was going to be.

"This year, again, the legislature has come up with a number of local aid proposals, each of which has short-changed the communities of the Second Hampden-Hampshire District. And, from week to week these cities and towns don't know just what level of funding they can expect from the state in order to offset the losses created by the Proposition 2½ tax cutting measure.

"This method of proposing then rejecting local aid proposals amounts to a game of 'chicken' with local cities and towns and represents a cruel joke on the taxpayers of the Second Hampden-Hampshire District."

Melconian said that since local officials must organize their budgets in February and submit them for approval by May, the state "should provide cities and towns with a firm commitment as to the level of state funding before local budgets are submitted."

She said, "While the increase in aid is a positive step, it doesn't go far enough. Without timely and sufficient state aid our local educational systems will be threatened and the public safety harmed. Last week the Boston legislative chairmen could find no surplus in the state budget. In less than a week, because of protests from local government, the legislature has discovered \$12 million in additional funds. And despite this surplus the Second Hampden-Hampshire District gets shortchanged."

"We need effective leadership at Beacon Hill - leadership that will meet the constraints of Proposition 2½ and will meet legislative and budget deadlines. The average worker must meet deadlines every day and I don't see why our legislative leaders can't meet a deadline once a year," she said.

"The intent of Proposition 2½ was to make the state legislature more accountable - instead our leaders at the statehouse have fumbled the local aid issue harming the people back home," Melconian said.

The former prosecuting attorney is running for the seat to be vacated by State Sen. Alan D. Sisitsky.

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Walsh Names Campaign Officers

Michael P. Walsh, Democratic candidate for State Representative, today announced the officers who will comprise his campaign committee.

Walsh named his brother, William T. Walsh Jr., and Aprille Soderman to act as campaign chairmen; James Crean and Richard DiLullo, campaign managers and Elizabeth Breen Sardella, treasurer.

Walsh said he is "very pleased with the quality of people who are working on my behalf." He further stated, "These people and the rest of the committee share a deep interest in the community and realize that honest, effective, and qualified representation is essential to the well being of this area."

The former aide to Representative Edward Connelly for three years resigned his position a week ago to devote all his time to the campaign. "There are two key ingredients to a successful campaign," Walsh commented. "First is getting good people behind you, and second is to simply work hard. I know I already have the first ingredient and will supply the second in the coming months."

Anyone interested in participating on the committee may contact William T. Walsh Jr. at 789-0128, or write the Committee to Elect Michael P. Walsh State Representative, P.O. Box 160, Agawam.

Second Sunday In May

By Mildred Barnes Talmadge

The word *mother* has enjoyed a revered connotation through the ages. Its specific association, of course, is the female parent of the child she gave birth to, but how many areas have adopted the appellation for its relative use? There is "Mother Country" and "Mother Tongue," just to mention two.

One could wonder if there is any significance in the fact that in 1943 the Air Force, essentially male, named the electronically piloted, unmanned airplane controls "Mother." Did the men recognize mother's influence even from such a distance?

There is an old Jewish proverb that goes "God could not be everywhere, and therefore, he made mothers."

Emily Dickinson always referred to her mother with that formality. Not so, many of the characters in literature. We all remember Marmee of *Little Women*, and Dearest in *Little Lord Fauntleroy*. Proust's mother in *Swann's Way* was Mamma, as was the Bennet daughters in Jane Austin's *Pride and Prejudice*. By the turn of the century, that term had been shortened to Mama followed by Mom, which is pretty much in vogue today.

Through the years, male offspring, in an effort to be more masculine probably, are apt to call their female parent Ma or Maw. In any case, it is the inflection that carries the affection, and Mother's Day is a time to show that affection.

Keep in mind, however, that a bouquet of flowers won't last until next year's second Sunday in May.

Theroux Resigns After 11 Years On Council; Cites Family & Job

After eleven years in the grind known as Agawam town politics, Precinct 4 Councilor and former 3-time Council President Richard M. Theroux resigned Tuesday to "end his political career" at age 29.

Youngest Member

Theroux was elected a Town Meeting member in 1971 and at age 18 and was one of the first 15 councilors elected when the town adopted the council-manager form of government the next year.

Theroux recently was appointed as director of the state Executive Office of Energy Resources and said the job was time-consuming and demanding.

Theroux also said he wishes to spend more time with his wife and 7-month-old daughter.

"It's been a difficult decision but one that I feel comfortable with. I feel I have given many years of time and dedication to the community, but now, because of professional and personal ties, I believe it is time to step down," he said.

A former teacher in the Springfield School System, Theroux noted that working in his new capacity in the energy resource office has been both challenging and "a fresh breath of air for me."

He said, "Sometimes it's time to get a change in scenery and put your life into proper perspective. I feel that although town politics and government is very important, so is my professional life and, of course, my family."

Theroux' career in local politics can only be termed successful. Within three years of being elected a councilor he was selected as council president, a position he held for five years.

He is best known for his staunch support of the council-manager form of government and was active in helping thwart two challenges to change the charter to an elected-mayor system.

"I think the form of government has progressed and matured to the point where people are seeing that it can and will work," he said.

He said the town's problems have changed over the past eleven years with the advent of Proposition 2 1/2. He said the town must continue to stabilize its tax base through development and said the town's industrial park at Bowles Airport will "go a long way in shaping the town's future."

Good Way To Leave

"It was a nice way to leave town government by being involved with the passage of the industrial park," Theroux said in reference to Monday night's meeting when the I-Park passed on an 11-4 vote.

Theroux said the council should take a "good hard look at increasing the salaries of town councilors," but would not elaborate on any dollar amount he felt would be adequate compensation for councilors.

"When I first got on the council the compensation was \$500 and that was eleven years ago. I'm really not sure what a good compensation would be more fair, but that's something the council will address in the future, and I'm sure they will address the issue honestly and with much thought."



TOWN COUNCILOR RICHARD THEROUX

Theroux urged more people to get involved in town government and added, "I believe being an elected official is an honorable pursuit whether it be on the federal, state, or local level. But the only way government can work is to get the voters and taxpayers involved."

Theroux also discounted any thoughts of reviving his political career. "It's been eleven years since I could really sit back and relax from it all. I can't imagine getting involved again, especially since I was in the thick of things since I was in my teens."

A graduate of Holyoke Community College and Western New England College with a bachelor's degree in criminal law, Theroux taught government in the Springfield School System for five years and in the continuing education program at Springfield Technical Community College.

He is a graduate of Agawam High School and resides on Ley Street.

The town clerk's office today said a special election will be called in the precinct to fill the vacated seat.

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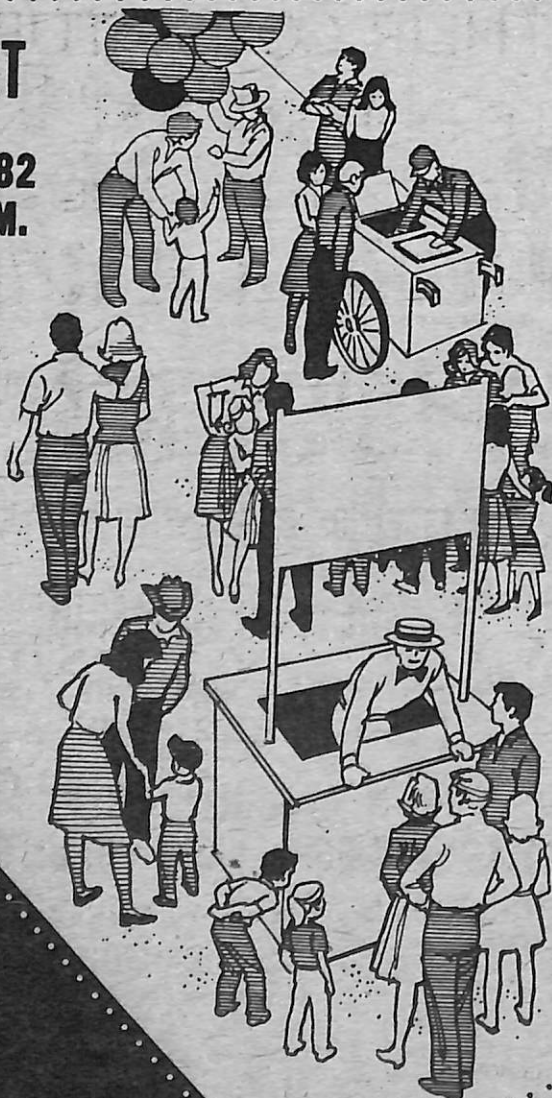
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Serving as maid of honor was the bride's sister, Pamela Kerr, and acting as bridesmaids were Carol DiVirgilio, Mary Boissoneault, and Gloria Hastings.

Standing as best man was Robert Christian with Joseph DiVirgilio, James Krolicki, and brother of the bride Robert Kerr acting as ushers.

A highlight of the wedding was the bridal couple's departure from the church in a horse-drawn carriage driven by Bill Menard of Granby, Massachusetts, to the Polish American Club where a reception was held for 230 guests.

The bride is a graduate of Agawam High School and was formerly employed at the Big Y in Agawam.

The groom is also a graduate of Agawam High School and is employed at B & E Tool in Southwick.

Following a Bermuda honeymoon trip, the couple will reside in Agawam.

Local Junior Women Attend Conference In Boxborough

Fourteen members of the Agawam Junior Women's Club recently attended the annual conference of the Massachusetts State Federation of Women's Clubs - Junior Membership at the Sheraton Inn in Boxborough. During the morning session, four hundred civic volunteers from across the state heard James Trelase of Springfield speak on "Turning On The Turned-Off Reader."

During an afternoon awards luncheon, the local organization was the proud recipient of five awards and two citations for their volunteer efforts during 1981-82. Mrs. Barbara Connery, president, accepted the District Community Improvement Award for the Juniors' work with Agawam's Special Olympics team. In addition, she accepted a communications award and two citations from CARE and the March of Dimes.

Mrs. Aprille Soderman, chairman of the Special Projects unit, accepted the Best Medium Club Award for their volunteer service to the Doreen Grace Brain Research Center.

Local artistic talent was also recognized at the luncheon with Mrs. Mary Dutton's taking second place in the do-your-own-thing category for her shadow box rendition of "Looking Through Grandma's Trunk." First place in the American crafts reborn category went to Mrs. Faith Hyland for a quilt she created for her daughter Courtney.

Presentation of the Overall Excellence Awards for community service and installation of the MSFWC officers for the next two years took place at an evening awards banquet. Superior rating in President's Guidelines was awarded to Mrs. Connery for an achievement of 1,390 points drawn from dozens of categories of leadership.

For the second consecutive year, Mrs. Soderman accepted a beautiful pewter tray signifying overall excellence in domestic violence projects completed by the local juniors.

Newly-installed director of the state federation, Mrs. Regina Gurney, ushered in a new year of volunteer service for Massachusetts with her chosen motto: "Feel Great! Participate."

Any women of the community interested in the work and activities of the Agawam Juniors are urged to contact Mrs. Aprille Soderman, membership chairman, at 786-3412.

Volunteers Thanked

Susan Nardi, chairman of the House-To-House Collection for Cancer Control Research, would like to extend thanks to all of the volunteers who helped in the crusade in Agawam.

"Without volunteer support and donations from citizens, we could not continue our lifesaving program," says Ms. Nardi.

Tag Sale To Benefit Capt. Leonard House

The Board of Trustees of the Captain Charles Leonard House will hold a tag and bake sale in the Pine Room of the landmark at 663 Main Street on Saturday, May 8th, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

General Chairmen Dorothy H. Martin and Dale Melanson will be assisted by Esther L. Reynolds and Jeanne B. Webster who are in charge of the baked goods table. Ruth Pery and Elizabeth Pond will handle records with President Richard Brindle and other trustees assisting customers with sales.

A wide variety of household items will be for sale including furniture, electric appliances, dishes and glassware. Also on sale will be clothing, a large selection of books, records, magazines, tools, plants, and more.

All income from the tag sale will be used to resurface the main driveway, which is scheduled to be completed this month.

The Captain Charles Leonard House was built in 1805 and restored in 1938 by Mrs. Minerva Davis, who established it as a community house for the Town of Agawam. This local landmark was admitted to the National Register of Historic Places in March, 1975, and is extensively used for club meetings, wedding receptions, showers, bridge parties, and other social gatherings. Reservations for use of the house may be made by calling 786-9421.

Garden Club Slates Meeting; Plant Sale

The Agawam Garden Club will meet on May 11th at 7:30 p.m. at the Capt. Leonard House to hear guest speaker Diana Muller, home economics program coordinator for the Hampden County Extension Service. Mrs. Muller will address the group with an update on food preservation. The public is invited.

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The Garden Club will hold its annual Plant and Bake Sale at 164 South Street, Agawam, on Saturday, May 15th, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Several varieties of plants including geraniums, annuals, perennials, vegetable plants, shrubs, houseplants, and herbs will be offered.

Stigmatine Scholarship Comm. Schedules Meeting

Members of the Stigmatine Scholarship Fund Committee will meet on Sunday, May 9th, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Anthony's Church hall, 108 Bridge Street.

Plans for a banquet slated for June 6th at Chez Josef will be discussed. Each member is requested to bring a potential candidate to the meeting.

The sole purpose of this scholarship fund is to assist young men studying for priesthood in the Stigmatine Order.



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Friends and Neighbors

By Rita White

MR. & MRS. WALTER A. MEISSNER, formerly of Witheridge Street, were flown from their home in Florida to be honored at a 50th anniversary celebration at Betty's Old Towne House last Sunday. The Walter and Jennie (Grondski) Meissner were married on April 30, 1932 in New York.

Helping to celebrate this happy occasion were the couple's three children WALTER MEISSNER, JOANNE BELTRANDI, & BARBARA NICORA; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and other family members and friends.

Before Walter's retirement, he was part owner of Meissner and Landauer of Westfield.

Another anniversary celebration was marked with a surprise party for approximately 100 friends and family of MR. & MRS. JAMES E. TAUPIER, who all gathered last Sunday at the home of AL & ELAINE TAUPIER in honor of the Taupiers' 25th wedding anniversary.

Jim and Miriam were married in Springfield on May 4, 1957, and now reside at 51 Valentine Street and are the parents of three children: JAMES, LAURIE, & SHARON, and one grandchild, KELLEY.

On May 4th, the actual day of the anniversary, they were honored at a dinner party for the immediate family at the Log Cabin restaurant.

ALLAN and LINDA SUDYKA of 55 N. Westfield St. are celebrating the arrival of their first child. SARALYNN MARIE was born April 1st. She weighed in at 6 pounds, 8½ ounces.

Grandmother ALICE M. BENOIT lives here in Feeding Hills and grandparents MR. and MRS. GEORGE LAFRENIERE live in Westfield. Saralynn also has a great-grandmother, DORIS SARROW who lives in Essex, England. Congratulations to the Sudykas.

DAVID KUNASEK, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Kunasek of 64 Day Street, recently graduated from Mansfield Beauty Academy in Springfield. He is qualified in all phases of cosmetology and will be working at an area beauty salon soon. Congratulations, Dave.

You know when we volunteer to do something for another person, we do it not with any thought of gain. It is just what it is called, volunteering. We do, in the end, receive some gain from it through the good feelings we have knowing we have helped someone.

Some local volunteers got some special recognition recently. The Iron Gate Restaurant in Springfield was the scene of an awards banquet Tuesday, April 27th where awards were presented to the volunteers who do such fine work at Heritage Hall. JUDES ZIEMBA, the social activities director at Heritage, and her staff did a beautiful job of making all the volunteers feel that each and every one of them is a very special person. PAUL SUTTON, a familiar face from Channel 40, was the guest speaker.

A special award given to the Volunteer of the Year was presented to NANCY ROMANO for her 1,500 hours of volunteer service.

I would like here to express my thanks for a special award that was given me as a volunteer. While I do not spend my hours at Heritage Hall, I was given the award for helping the public realize the need for volunteers and the need for support for the residents of Heritage Hall. I was very touched and am very proud of my award.

Other recipients of awards were as follows: 1,000 hours: Elaine Rolandini, Jeanette Bridge, Nancy Edwards;

500 hours: Betty Mae Curran, Vera Conway, Chris D'Amato, Charlie St. Hilaire;

250 hours: Fran Viens, Marie Viens;

200 hours: Eleanor Trumball, Milicent Bernard, Phyllis Lavoie, Bill Chyba;

100 hours: Barbara Rivers, Carol Morassi, Dot Wells, Lillian Oleksak, Jacki Barden, Sister Natalie, Don Wheeler, Emile Grenier, William Koob, Tom Patton, Robert Moore, Gladys Samson, Gladys Rosenbloom, Lorraine Ide;

50 hours: Lucille Camyre, Susan Bonesteel, Eva Burmeister, Debbie Twarog, Brian Sutton, Linda Wallace, Marion Binnenkade, Eunice Johnson, Emeline Comeau, Marion Haubenreiser, Alice Squazza, Mary Demarsky, Mary Melin, Anna Deshais, Vi Sweeney, Rita White, Rev. Len Cowan, Cindy Conley, Carol Murray, Helen Wells, Lena Babcock, Ruth Johnson, Glenn Flint, Grace Flint, Sandy Harriss, Ingrid Brigham, Dwight Mowrer, Marsha Mowrer, Chris Stadniki.



Walter & Jennie Meissner celebrate 50th anniversary. SEE FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS.

St. David's Church Hosts Seminar

St. David's Episcopal Church, Feeding Hills, will be hosting a two-day seminar entitled "Christian Faith and Contemporary Issues." Taught by the Rev. Jurgen Liias of St. Paul's Church, Malden, MA, the course will focus on a Christian response to issues surrounding War, Abortion, and Homosexuality. The course format will include lecture and discussion, and will run from 7:30 - 10:00 p.m. on Friday, May 14, and from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 15. Tuition is \$20, and registration must be received by contacting the church before Tuesday, May 11.

Lions Club Hears Of New Invention

Members of the Agawam Lions Club recently hosted guest speaker Spiro Orfanos, an electronics specialist for Polaroid Corporation who is the inventor of the solar cone designed to warn blind persons of obstacles in their paths.

The prototype solar cone is light weight, about 1½ pounds, and can detect objects from six to twelve feet away as well as overhead.

Models other than the one designed by Mr. Orfanos are on the market, but are expensive when compared with his, which, once marketed, will sell for less than \$100.

The prototypes are now being tested by the American Foundation for the Blind in conjunction with Boston College's Special Education Division for the Blind.

Area Secretary Wins At Division Level

Mrs. Hope MacRobbie has won the Division Level competition for Secretary of the Year sponsored by Professional Secretaries International in Worcester on April 24th. She will now go on to compete for the title of International Secretary of the Year at the 1982 International Convention to be held in Indianapolis in July.

Mrs. MacRobbie earned her Certified Professional Secretary's rating in 1981. This is a distinction achieved by slightly over 15,000 secretaries which requires extensive testing in the fields of accounting, management, economics, business law, environmental relationships, office procedures, and secretarial skills.

A native of Framingham, MA, Mrs. MacRobbie is an alumna of Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School, Boston, and received an associate's degree in business administration in 1980 from Springfield Technical Community College.

She presently serves as secretary and aide in the Holyoke district office of Representative Silvio O. Conte.

PWP Plans Mother's Day Dinner Dance

Parents Without Partners will hold a Mother's Day dinner dance on May 9th at the Elks Lodge in Holyoke. Men of the chapter will do the cooking and provide the entertainment.

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Golden Agers Elect New Officers



NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS of the Agawam Golden Agers are Louis Scherpa, president; Lee Faits, vice-president; Mary Demersky, recording secretary; Eunice Johnson, corresponding secretary; Alice Squazza, treasurer; and Katherine Aldrich, chaplain. Pictured here with the incomers at their recent installation dinner is Mike Gabry (back row), outgoing president. Photo by Jack Devine.

Golden Agers Meet

Newly installed President Lou Scherpa of the Agawam Golden Agers conducted his first business meeting with 225 members in attendance on April 25th.

Nine members celebrated their April birthdays and all welcomed former Agawam resident Rabelle (Vancini) Daley as a guest on a visit from her home in Venice, Florida.

Travel Hostess Emeline Comeau related details of a one-day shopping trip to New Bedford slated for May 13th at a cost of \$17. She also noted that there are four seats left on a planned trip to Knoxville, Tennessee, for the World's Fair. Call Emeline at 786-1264 for reservations for this or any of several other trips planned.

NEW BEGINNINGS

By Rita White

You know Seniors, we talk a lot about the Senior Center here in Agawam that is at your disposal. We try to let you know about the trips, parties, meals, lessons etc. But the center is really much more than that. It is a place for you to go if you have a problem. The center is in touch with many different organizations and individuals who are geared to help you. Whatever your problems may be; housing, legal, medical, the center is able to give you some guidance. And then I think it's good for your mental attitude to know that there is a special place designed with you in mind. It isn't for kids or young adults, but just you seniors. There are people there your own age with the same experiences and current needs. There are activities planned for you, books there with large print for those who need them, people trained to provide assistance to you. If you have never gone to the center or were never sure if you could, please stop by. The center is open to all senior residents of Agawam and there is no charge for going there. There is a small charge for the daily lunches.

Some happy birthdays going out. Happy birthday to ADELAIDE SHEA on May 2nd; AMELIA BOPP on the 3rd; ROSE KALAJIAN on the 5th; CHARLES WAGNER on the 6th and ARTHUR CURTIS on the 9th. We hope you all enjoy your day and have many more happy ones.

The center is interested in starting two new craft classes to run from May through September, but they want them to be something that you are interested in. So if there is some type of craft that you would like to learn, give Margaret or Dorothy a call at the center or stop by and talk to them and let them know what you'd like in the way of crafts. And don't stop there. If there are other things you would like to see at the center, let them know that also.

One of the most important programs started in the country has been "life-line." This is a program which tries to make sure that anyone who lives alone and

does not have someone in touch with them on a daily basis will be called to make sure they are all right. The center would like to begin a life-line. So if you are a person who lives alone and you know of someone who lives alone and does not have someone who keeps in touch with them on a regular basis, let the center know. This also means that they will need volunteers to make these daily phone calls. Now this doesn't mean that you will have a long list of people to call up all the time. It means being responsible for calling one person once or twice a day to make sure they haven't taken a fall or had some other type of accident. You know, this is one of those things that you need to think about for the future. There may come a day when we are alone and a phone call every day could be life-saving. So, please get in touch with the center.

Next week's lunches are: Monday, barbeque pork patties; Tuesday, spinach pie; Wednesday, baked chicken; Thursday, Spanish meatballs and Friday, tuna loaf.

Don't forget to stop by the center and see the Annual Art Show. It is there through Friday, May 7th of this week. It's a real treat.

The foot nurses' clinic will be May 20th, but don't forget that you need an appointment.

Next hypertension clinic is May 18th for those with last name initials H through O.

The Agawam Police Association again this year is sponsoring an Oldies Show which will feature "The Drifters" and "The Teenagers." It will be Thursday, May 27th at 7:00. It is free to seniors. The Police Association will also arrange for free transportation for any senior (ho needs it. If you are interested, contact PHYLLIS MASON at the Housing Authority.

The income limits for admission to and continued occupancy for public housing have been revised to the following as of April 1st:

One person \$11,788
Two persons \$13,472
Three persons \$15,156
Four persons \$16,840
Five persons \$17,893
Six persons \$18,945
Seven persons \$19,998
Eight or more \$21,050
The asset limit for everyone is still \$15,000.

Marriage Enrichment Seminar

The West Springfield Church of Christ will show the film "What Wives Need To Know" from the Marriage Enrichment Seminar on Sunday, May 9th, at 6 p.m. In this film, Dr. Carl Brecheen tells wives about the sixteen most important of the day and how this time can improve your marriage.

The public is invited, free of charge, to this program at the church at 61 Upper Church Street.

Sacred Heart Rosary Altar Will Install New Officers

Members of the Rosary Altar Society of Sacred Heart Church will gather at the church on Wednesday, May 12th, at 6 p.m. to celebrate mass, install new officers, and enroll new members.

Retiring president Nancy Doucette will hand the gavel to the incoming president, Annette Phaneuf. Mrs. Helen Griffin and Mrs. Mary Spinelli will serve as vice-presidents; Mrs. Marilyn Morassi as secretary; and Miss Julia Zajchowski as treasurer.

Following the installation, members and their guests will enjoy their annual banquet at Storowton Tavern in West Springfield. The banquet chairmen are Penny Martineau and Ethel Dumond.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Sat., May 8th
Tag Sale
Benefit Leonard House
At The House
All Day

Sun., May 9th
Stigmatine Scholarship
Committee Meeting
St. Anthony's Church
7:30 p.m.

Mon., May 10th
Legion Meeting
Post 185
Springfield St.
8:00 p.m.

Tues., May 11th
Garden Club
Meeting
Leonard House
7:30 p.m.

Sat., May 15th
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Local Women Honored At Providence Hospital

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Mrs. Linda J. Hendrix, Mrs. Denise L. Mason, L.P.N., and Sandra E. Grenier, L.P.N. will be presented with two-year pins for service by Owen F. Connolly, administrator of the hospital.

The brunch will be attended by the recipients and by their respective department heads.

Naturalist Club To Sell Spring Wildflowers

The Naturalist Club will hold its sixth annual wildflower sale on Saturday, May 8th, at Crane Park, Main Street, Wilbraham, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. rain or shine.

Plants will be sold at or below last year's prices. New varieties will be added.

This year will feature a collectors' corner with limited quantities of desirable plants such as Adam and Eve orchids and Crane Fly orchids, Japanese birds' foot violet. All plants are potted and labeled and include free cultural sheets.

Turnverein Reviews New Ambulance



AL DAIGNEAU, Springfield Turnverein Bingo Chairman; Martin Lehberger, treasurer; Ann Twarog, bingo worker, presents a check for the ambulance stretcher to Richard Wells and Acting Fire Chief Russell Jenks. This donation is in addition to the \$5,000 donated for the ambulance by the Turnverein. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

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Memory Of Joseph Sullivan Honored



NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS OF JOSEPH SULLIVAN, who recently passed away at Meadowbrook Manor, wished to honor his memory by presenting a plaque to the Senior Center which contains one of his many poems about the place he so dearly loved. Many thanks to the committee who made this memorial possible - Mabel Miller, Marie Tetreault, Rose Demars, Dorothy Phillips and a good friend to the Senior Center, Phyllis Mason. Pictured above, Dorothy Phillips, a member of Meadowbrook Manor, Phyllis Mason, executive director of the Agawam Housing Authority, present Mrs. Mary Sullivan with the plaque which will eventually hang in the public library accompanied by a book of Joe's poems. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.



FIRE-WISE

By Russell Jenks
Acting Fire Chief

Be Ready For Common Summer Emergencies

Look out your windows, folks - that's summer on the way. This week I'd like to share with you some first aid tips for little emergencies that come our way each summer - along with tips for some emergencies that aren't so little.

Summer means more outdoor activities, more boisterous play...and more cuts and bruises. Minor cuts are easily treated by cleaning with soap and water and bandaging. Slightly larger cuts require that you apply pressure directly over the wound; this reduces the flow of blood near the cut and makes for quicker clotting. Sterile gauze may be preferred to adhesive bandages for a larger cut.

Very large cuts, deep, jagged cuts, or cuts inflicted by a metal object require professional medical treatment. Use pressure to control bleeding and summon a doctor or emergency medical technician (EMT).

Two common effects of overexertion on very hot days are heat stroke and heat exhaustion. Though their causes are similar, the symptoms and treatment for heat stroke are very different from those for heat exhaustion.

Heat stroke is identified by a very high body temperature, hot, reddened skin, and a strong and rapid pulse. Do not treat heat stroke with any type of stimulant. Try to reduce the victim's body temperature with cool water, alcohol rubs or cold packs. Don't over-chill, for example, by covering the victim with ice.

Heat exhaustion is very, very different. The victim will have a normal temperature with pale, clammy skin and profuse sweating. He will report weakness and nausea. Where heat stroke is a failure of the body's temperature regulating mechanisms, heat exhaustion often results from depletion of electrolytes such as salt from the metabolism. Help the victim lay down and apply cool, wet cloths. Administer salt water (1 teaspoon salt per 6 ounce glass) for about an hour, in sips.

Here's what to do about one summer injury that's never minor: drowning! The drowning victim will be listless and comatose with bluish skin, lips and nail beds. There will not be observable breathing. Sitting on the victim and pumping his arms, old cartoon style, will do little good. Perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation to restore breathing. If there is no heartbeat, administer rhythmic chest compression. Do not attempt to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) unless you have been trained in it; it's easy to do serious damage if you don't know what you're doing.

Of course, in any drowning incident, summon emergency medical assistance at once.

One final thought: do you know how to obtain emergency assistance in the area where you will be vacationing? It's a good idea to consult a local telephone directory upon your arrival, write down the fire, police and EMS numbers, and keep them with you.

Laughing Brook Sponsors Whalewatch at Provincetown

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden is sponsoring an afternoon Whalewatch on Monday, May 17 at 2 p.m. out of Provincetown on Cape Cod.

The four-hour excursion is aboard the Dolphin III, the 90-foot boat that popularized whalewatching on the east coast. During the trip different species of whales will be sought, including the enormous fin whales whose length up to 70 feet make them the 2nd largest animals ever to live on the planet. They are relatively common in the shallow waters of Cape Cod Bay.

The specialty of these trips is that the whales are free to approach the boat unrestrained by cages, nets or other devices. Remarkably close encounters have occurred on previous trips with participants able to make amazing close-up photographs of these graceful marine mammals.

Laughing Brook has chartered a bus for the day that will leave the sanctuary early in the morning and include a visit to the Cape Cod National Seashore. The bus is optional and participants may travel on their own and meet the group at the boat dock.

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By Dorine Kubik

Books 'n Such in Agawam is the ninth used book store that Len and Jean Rondeau have set into operation. Following their initial organization, the Rondeaus sell the Books 'n Such franchise and have left their mark in Chicopee, Indian Orchard, East Springfield, East Longmeadow, and Northampton.

The Rondeaus own and operate their own bookstore in Westfield at 124 Elm Street, offering well over 1,600 square feet filled with thousands of used books selling at discount prices.

The Agawam store, at 336 Walnut Street Extension next door to Agawam Opticians, stocks over 7,000 paperbacks on its shelves, all at half of the original price, and over 1,000 hard-covered books at half price or even less. All of the books are carefully chosen and in excellent condition.

This store is a dream come true for anyone who loves books. Students of all ages who are always looking for that right book for a book report will find exactly what they need from among the thousands of books neatly lining the shelves by category and author. Several categories are represented, including science fiction, sports, westerns, and Harlequin and Gothic romances.

The Rondeaus are originally from Adams, Massachusetts, and now live in Sixteen Acres. The Books 'n Such concept began six years ago from their own love of books. Once they originate a new store and sell the franchise, the Rondeaus stay with the new owners for a short time to train them and to select the right books.

The Rondeaus also deal in rare and collectible books and newspapers and will purchase one book or several from individuals wishing to sell nearby or from out of state. Many of the books are in gift-giving condition.

When a new owner takes over a franchise, the Rondeaus provide the books and the new owners add whatever they choose as the "n Such." This might include a special craft or hobby such as the Chicopee store which features dollhouse furniture or the Indian Orchard store with its plaster craft items. At their own store in Westfield, the Rondeaus have added collectibles and small antiques.

The Agawam store is currently open for business and is also available for sale.

Spring Flea Market Slated

The Ladies Aid Society of Agawam Congregational Church will hold its annual spring flea market at the church, 745 Main Street, on Saturday, June 5th, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A rain date for the following Saturday, June 12th, has been set.

A snack bar will be open all day with free admission and free parking for the event.

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RICHARD JENDZA

Community Bank Promotes Jendza

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Jendza joined the staff of Community's Main Street, Springfield office in 1977 and was named coordinator in 1979. Prior to his working at Community, he gained experience in tax preparation and regulations working for H & R Block.

A graduate of Southwick High School, Jendza earned a bachelor's degree from American International College, where he was elected to membership in Alpha Chi, a scholastic honorary society.

While at Community, he has completed an American Institute of Banking course in marketing and earned certification as a Savings Bank Life Insurance representative. He has also attended numerous IPC seminars on various topics relating to retirement plans and their regulations.

Last September, Jendza was elected to serve on the Retirement Plan Subcommittee of the Savings Bank Association of Massachusetts. He also worked with Project Business, a program of Junior Achievement in which he instructed ninth and tenth grade students on banking and economic subjects.

He resides with his wife Jacqueline and son Keith in Feeding Hills. He is active in athletics, including softball and soccer.

BayPath Offers 2-Day Seminar

Bay Path Junior College will offer a two-day seminar entitled "Word Processing for Today and Tomorrow" on Monday and Tuesday, May 24 and 25, and on Monday and Tuesday, June 7 and 8. These identical seminars, which will be limited to 12 participants each, are designed to acquaint today's office personnel with word processing concepts and will also provide comprehensive hands-on experience in designing, formatting, editing, and printing documents. Participants will work on a Wang Office Information System in Bay Path's new Word Processing Center in Glen Hall.

According to Academic Dean Mary Louise Van Winkle, the seminars are appropriate for office personnel of all levels, including managers and executives, whether their office has an existing word processing system or is contemplating establishing such a system. "This seminar," she said, "will assist them in adapting present office procedures to an automated system, and in eliminating time-consuming and repetitious tasks."

Further information about the two-day, non-credit word processing seminars and a detailed brochure with registration form is available by calling the College.

VFW Women Receive "Poppy" Citation



TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT DONALD RHEAULT (left) presents a town citation proclaiming "Poppy Week," May 16-22 to Andy Luginbuhl, co-chairwoman of the VFW's Women's Auxiliary annual Poppy Drive which gets underway next week. Looking on is Town Manager Edward A. Caba. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

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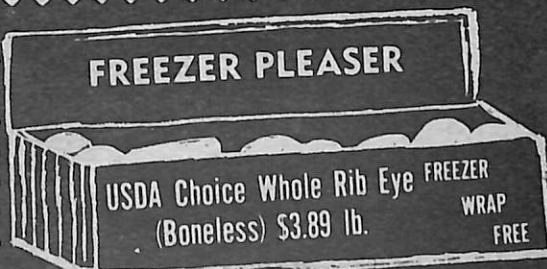
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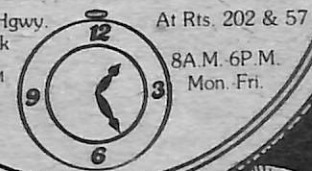
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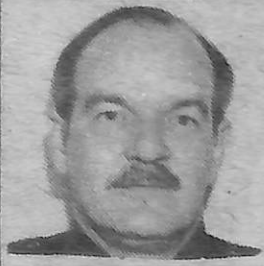
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Crime Watch

By Officer James Frantz
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Here are some tips that might make the prospective car thief walk away from your car and go to someone else's:

Take your keys out, roll up all windows tight, and lock all doors when you leave your car.

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Replace standard door lock buttons with the slim tapered kind.

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In your driveway, park your car with the nose toward the street, so anyone tampering with the engine can be easily seen.

Make a copy of your car registration and keep it in a safe place. This information is vital to the police if your car is stolen.

Call the police immediately if your car is stolen and have all the information at hand.

Remember: If you see anything suspicious call the Agawam police at 911 or 786-4767.

POLICE BLOTTER!!!

EDITOR'S NOTE: Due to the rising crime rate, i.e., theft, vandalism of private and public property, and driving under the influence of alcohol or other toxic substances, the AGAWAM POLICE DEPARTMENT, in conjunction with the CRIME WATCH PROGRAM, and on the request of many local merchants and residents, has asked the ADVERTISER/NEWS to publish a weekly POLICE BLOTTER.

The police firmly believes that such a regular beat with names appearing will HELP SERVE notice to townspeople that these types of activities ARE happening in your town and cooperation with police is essential to protect your property and to keep your roads safe.

Melconian Committee Plans Fundraiser



CANDIDATE FOR STATE SENATE LINDA MELCONIAN (center) reviews plans for her upcoming May 13th fundraiser with Town Councilor Frederick Nardi and School Committee Chairwoman Rosemary Sandlin, both of whom are supporting Melconian's bid for the Democratic nomination in the September 14th primary. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

Therefore, in the spirit of public safety and in cooperation with police, we publish this **POLICE BLOTTER**.

On April 26 at 1:27 a.m. STEVEN BRUDZINSKI of 13 Pochaccic St., Westfield was arrested on North Street for driving under the influence of alcohol by officer R. Landers.

On April 27 at 9:00 p.m. KENNETH WILEY of 73 Southwick St. and RONALD BARIL of 59 South Westfield St., Feeding Hills, were arrested at the Granger School grounds for possession of alcohol, being a minor by officer G. Nardi.

On April 27 ANTHONY MANGIACOTTI was arrested at his home 700 Wachusett St., Leominster, Mass. on an Agawam warrant charging him with larceny by check over \$100.00. Investigating officer was Det. T. Letellier.

On April 28 at 12:34 a.m. LONNIE WESTBROOK of 31 Arlington St., Holyoke was arrested on Suffield St. for driving under the influence of alcohol by officer D. Loncto.

On the evening of April 28 while investigating a malicious damage complaint at Sarat Ford two Agawam police officers narrowly missed being seriously injured when someone using a high powered sling shot put a ball bearing through the front showcase window of Sarat Ford just missing the two officers and Jackie Sarat.

On April 30 at 12:30 a.m. four youths and one juvenile were arrested at Northwest and Southwick St. for malicious damage over \$100.000. They were: DOMINICK DEPERGOLA, 60 Briarcliff, Feeding Hills ANTHONY DEPERGOLA, 60 Briarcliff, Feeding Hills DONALD FRUWIRTH, 51 Fruwirth Ave, Feeding Hills ALAN JONES, 28 Colong Road, West Springfield

The juvenile's name cannot be printed. Arresting officers were G. Nardi, C. Kasperak, R. Brown.

On April 30 at 7:15 p.m. MARTIN L. TESSIER JR. of 33 Stuart Pl., Westfield was arrested on Walnut St. Ext. for transporting alcohol, being a minor, possession of a class B substance with intent to distribute (LSD) possession of a class D substance (marijuana). Arresting officers were J. Orsatti and S. Dragetti.

On May 2 at 12:30 a.m. THOMAS OTTMAN of 350 Meadow St. was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol by officer R. Brown.

On May 2 at 6:34 p.m. JANICE DELL of 57 Regency Park Dr. was arrested for assault and battery on a police officer and assault with a dangerous weapon. Arresting officers were R. King and S. Dragetti.

On May 2 at 10:30 p.m. JESSE F. BRITT of 2070 Riverdale Rd., West Springfield was arrested on Rte. 57 for driving under the influence of alcohol by officers G. Nardi and C. Kasperak.

Police responded to 205 calls; there were 5 M.V.'s reported stolen, 13 larcenies, and 1 breaking and entering. A total of 17 arrests were made.



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SATURDAY CAR WASHES sponsored by a local athletic organization of youth organization are very popular during the spring and summer months and this one last week at the Middle School signaled the beginning of the official car wash season. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

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TOWN COOKBOOK

By Mary Ann Govoni

All of my recipes today have Hawaiian or Polynesian backgrounds. This first chicken recipe is very easy to prepare.

Island-Style Chicken

- 1 Can (about 8 oz.) pineapple chunks in heavy syrup
- 2 Pounds chicken parts of your choice
- 2 Tbsp. shortening
- 1 Small can College Inn broth
- 2 Tbsp. brown sugar
- 1/4 Cup vinegar
- 2 Teasp. soy sauce
- 1 Large clove garlic, minced
- 2 Medium green peppers, cut in squares
- 3 Tbsp. cornstarch
- 1/4 Cup water

Drain pineapple chunks, reserving syrup. In skillet, brown chicken in shortening; pour off fat. Add reserved syrup, broth, vinegar, sugar, soy, and garlic. Cover and cook over low heat 40 minutes. Add green pepper and pineapple chunks and cook five more minutes or until done. Stir occasionally. Combine cornstarch and water; gradually stir into sauce. Cook, stirring until thickened. Serve with cooked parsleyed rice. Makes six servings.

Sweet-And-Sour Beef

- 1 tablespoon shortening
- 2 pounds lean stewing beef, cubed
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups canned tomatoes
- 1/3 cup brown sugar
- 1/3 cup vinegar
- 1/2 cup finely chopped onion
- 1/2 bay leaf

1 green pepper, cut into thin strips
Melt shortening in large skillet; brown beef on all sides. Add salt, tomatoes, brown sugar, vinegar, onion, and bay leaf. Cover skillet; lower heat. Let simmer about 2 hours or until beef is tender. Add pepper strips to beef; cook 10 minutes more to blend all flavors. Serve over hot rice or with noodles. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Hawaiian Supreme Cake

- 1 box yellow cake mix
- 1/2 cup flaked coconut
- 1/2 cup crushed pineapple (drained well)
- 1/2 cup chopped nuts

Prepare cake batter as directed. Fold in coconut, pineapple and nuts. Bake in 9-inch greased and floured pans at 375°. Cool cake thoroughly and frost.

Frosting

- 1/3 cup butter or margarine
- 1 1/2 tablespoon pineapple juice
- 4 cups confectioners sugar
- 1/3 cup drained crushed pineapple

Cream butter until smooth. Add and cream pineapple juice, and confectioners sugar. Beat well. Blend in pineapple and beat until spreading consistency. Frost cake all over and sprinkle with flaked coconut.



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Menagerie Marvelous

By Diana Willard

Memories can be haunting - more poignant than reality. Remembering can be a balm against the burden of everyday life, but dangerous if the past has more substance than the present.

The Glass Menagerie is a play about and filled with memories. It is classic Tennessee Williams: impoverished Southern gentility struggling with the demands of daily living.

We are introduced to the Wingfields by Tom, the brother who has escaped (has he?) by running away. He is recalling life with his mother and sister as it was just before he left home.

Life is hard for the Wingfields. Deserted by her husband, Amanda and her children, Tom and Laura, manage a pitiful existence that hovers dangerously near desperation. Each has built a defense that allows them to get through the days.

Amanda retreats to the golden days of her youth when she was a sought-after Southern belle. Tom seeks the softening haze that alcohol provides, and Laura creates her own unique haven, a fantasy world populated by the characters of her glass menagerie.

Their conflicts are very real and often bitter. In spite of it all, the family is bound to each other not merely by obligation, but by a deep love that not even time and separation can touch. Perhaps that is the most important message *Menagerie* offers.

The Glass Menagerie is the fiftieth production for the Suffield Players. One has come to expect excellence from their offerings, and this effort is no exception.

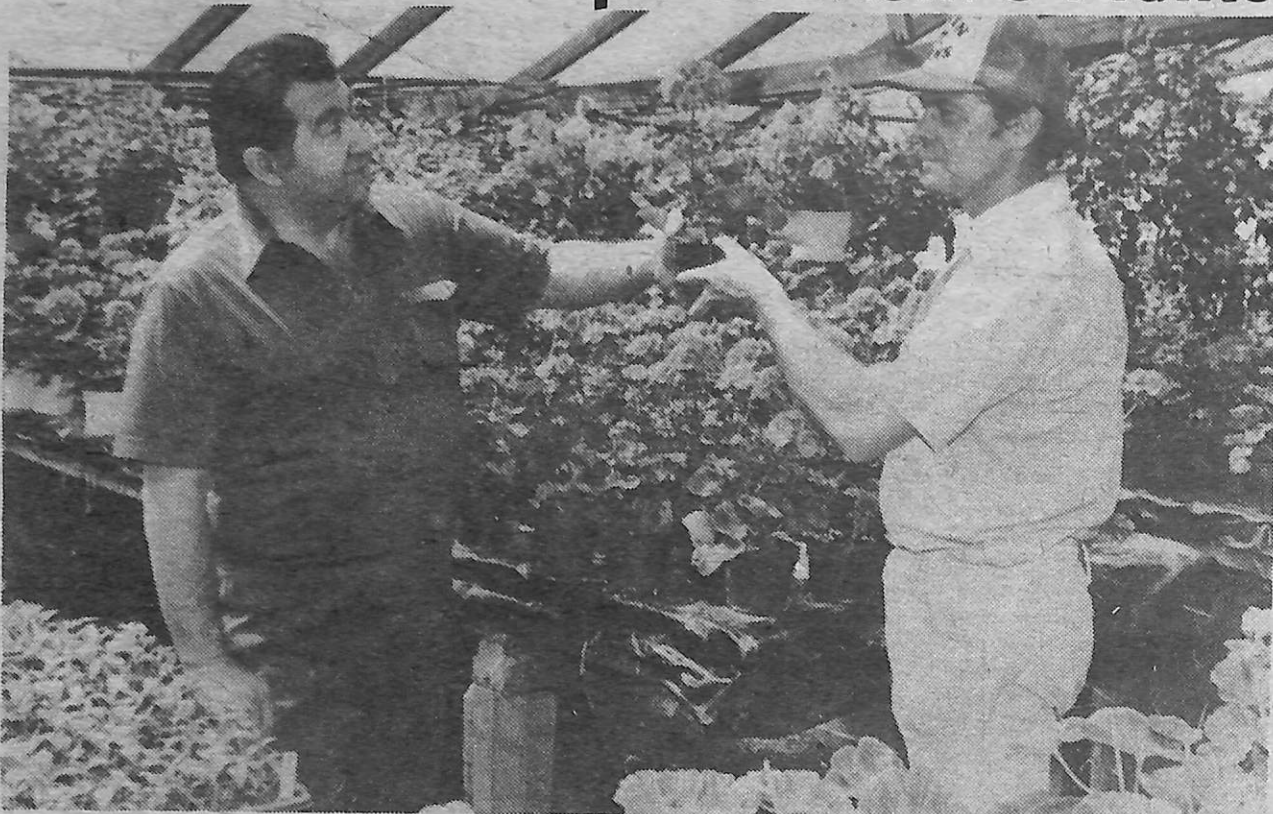
Director Waldo Goodermote has done a fine job of casting. Konrad Rogowski as the gentleman caller brings a breath of fresh air into the stagnant Wingfield household. Moving easily from present to past, Lyle Pearsons as Tom demonstrates his acting versatility. Mary Jo Dankert, in her first stage appearance, is a credible Laura, who is as fragile as the animals in her collection.

Betty Williams in the role of Amanda gives a stellar performance. She does not play Amanda; she is Amanda. Every gesture, every nuance is consistent.

Goodermote's fine hand is evident in the pacing of the show, which moves fluidly with nothing overdone, an all-too-real temptation in a drama of this type. He allows just enough comedy to balance the audience's emotional response to what is unfolding.

The Glass Menagerie is first-rate theater. Staged at Mapleton Hall in Suffield, it will run May 1st, 6th, 7th, and 8th. Ticket reservations can be made by calling (203) 623-4483.

Mark Brown Prepares Mom's Plants



Mark Brown (right), of Provin Mountain Farms on Northwest Street, Feeding Hills, shows two of the 500 geranium plants that will be donated to the Agawam Athletic Association on Saturday, May 8th as part of the AAA's annual baseball-softball team picture and raffle day at the Junior High School to AAA President Gerald J. Mason. The plants will be on sale throughout the day with proceeds going to the AAA. Brown is a long-time member of the Agawam AA and is the organization's first 10-12 boys baseball commissioner. He and his father, Noel E. Brown, are well-known supporters of youth sports in town. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

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Thurs., May 13: Steamed frankfort in roll, baked beans, buttered green beans, applesauce cake w/icing, milk
Fri., May 14: Roast turkey w/whipped potatoes, brown gravy, diced carrots, rye bread & butter, chocolate cake, milk

AHS Choral Groups Slated For Festivals

The vocal ensemble from Agawam High School will leave Friday, May 7th, to attend a vocal jazz festival in Jersey City, New Jersey, which will bring them in competition with many high school groups from the New York area.

In addition to competing in their own vocal jazz entry, the local students will hear the Jersey City College jazz groups and will perform as a show choir involving choreography as well as singing. The Agawam High School Show Choir has taken performance honors for the past two years at the University of New Hampshire Jazz Festival.

The jazz ensemble is under the direction of Stephen Files, who is assisted by student Nancy Rawson in the choreography work.

Next week will find the Senior High Chorale, a large mixed chorus, participating in the Heritage Music Festival in Newport, Rhode Island, along with the Senior High Jazz Band, under the direction of Zachary Tileston, and the Junior High Jazz Band, under the direction of Scott Thomson.

The Heritage Festival is a large regional festival for both instrumental and vocal groups and will bring together many groups of both junior and senior high ages.



PHELPS SCHOOL second-graders Kristin Norgaard, Daniel LaBreck, Jeremy Catania, and Karen Dean hold balloons to which the young readers attached postcards with titles and authors of books they had read and requested return from whoever may find them. Photo by Jack Devine.

Readathon Hooks Kids On Books

By Joanne Brown

"Getting Hooked On Books" is commonly encouraged by most teachers in the Agawam School System, but three particular second-grade educators at Phelps School recently went beyond mere encouragement to organize a readathon throughout the month of March.

Originated by Mrs. Pat Kallfa, the readathon involved 75 students in her class along with those of Mrs. Janice Noyes and Ms. Jane Sauter. A total of 905 books were read with records of titles and authors kept by each student on paper balloons arranged on classroom bulletin boards and on segments of a "bookworm" hung on the corridor wall outside their rooms.

According to Mrs. Kallfa, the intention of the project was to motivate kids to read as many books as they could between March 1st and 31st. The three teachers rotated books available to be read in their classrooms and asked the students to do additional projects to go along with the books they chose to read.

Among the additional projects included in the unit were mobiles constructed in conjunction with students' favorite parts of books; three-page booklets with drawings depicting the beginning, middle, and ending of books with sentences written under each picture; pencil holders covered with wallpaper and pictures of their favorite characters; posters; and "word bags" containing words new to the young readers. Book reports were delivered and taped to encourage improved speech performance.

"My original intention was to end this project by sending up a helium-filled balloon for each book read," Mrs. Kallfa says, noting that expense prohibited that many balloons so they settled for 150, two for each student, which were released into the sky on Wednesday, April 28th.

The children printed cards attached to each balloon asking for responses from individuals who may find them wherever they land. According to Mrs. Kallfa, one response has already come in from East Hampton, Connecticut, which is about halfway between Hartford and New London.

"I feel this project was most successful insofar as getting children to read on their own," Mrs. Kallfa says. "It's important to get them to view reading as a part of a whole process, not just as something done in school."

PPEP Slates Meeting

Parents Promoting Educational Potential will hold their next meeting on Thursday, May 13th, at 7:30 p.m. in the Junior High cafeteria.

Guest speaker will be Dr. Joseph Cebula, academic dean and dean of the School of Psychology and Education at AIC. Dr. Cebula is also the evaluator of the Title I program in Agawam. He will address those in attendance on the psychological needs of the gifted child.

The meeting is open to the public, and refreshments will be served.

Clark School PTO To Meet

The James Clark School PTO will hold its last meeting of the school year on Wednesday, May 12, at

7 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Guest speaker will be Mrs. Gina Allison, director of the Wide Horizons cultural program in Agawam's schools. Mrs. Allison will give a slide presentation and discuss how the Wide Horizons program uses community resources to bring cultural enrichment to students.

Plans will also be discussed for the upcoming tag sale. All parents are invited to attend, and refreshments will be served.

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Local Art Unit Recognized In National Magazine

By Joanne Brown

Heading the circus train which wended its way down corridors, across bulletin boards, over ceilings, and on to floors at Clark School last year was elementary art teacher Thais Wright. This colorful, total-school art unit led to national exposure through an article written by Ms. Wright and published in the popular magazine *Arts and Activities*.

In January, 1981, Ms. Wright had wanted to "perk up the spirits" of the whole school during the dreary time which usually follows Christmas vacation. She compiled various elements of circus units she had previously worked on in bits and pieces and produced a unit which brought the entire school to life.

"The circus theme seemed a good choice to use in bringing color and fun to art projects during that cold, dreary time of year," Ms. Wright explains. "The students really enjoyed their activities and loved the total effect that resulted when all of the individual classwork came together throughout the entire building."

Curriculum Involves All Elements Of Circus

Curriculum in her circus unit included first graders making stick puppets and second graders working on three-dimensional clowns. Second graders also painted "murals" for bulletin boards in the school using the theme "Under The Big Top" and depicting various acts in the circus.

Third graders undertook group projects to create the circus parade, and these paintings were later hung along corridors in the school in parade fashion.

Fourth graders sculpted clay animals and human circus performers, and fifth graders used linoleum block printing to produce a movement effect of performers in action.

Felt Project Worthwhile For National Article

Ms. Wright relates that she has always wanted to write and is personally enthusiastic about the magazine *Arts and Activities* as a vehicle for art educators. She says she finally "got her act together" on what she felt was a very worthwhile unit and detailed it in an article which was accepted for publication two weeks after submitted.

"It took almost a year to get it into print, though," she notes. "The hardest part for me was to produce slides of the kids' work which would be acceptable to the magazine printing process."

In addition to her article, the magazine chose for its front cover that month the linoleum-print clown done by Billy Kierkla, then a fifth-grader at the school. It also included a picture of a clay sculpture done by then-fourth-grader David Fleury and three group-project paintings.

The exposure given to Ms. Wright's article included free copies of that issue of *Arts and Activities* being handed out to 2,000 educators who attended the National Art Association Convention in New York City this past March.

Thais Wright earned a bachelor of fine arts degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo and a master of science degree from the State College of New York at Buffalo. She has been teaching elementary art for ten years, including one in Germany.

This is her second year teaching in Agawam, and she currently works with students at Clark, Phelps, and Peirce Schools. In addition, she teaches summer art classes at Ames Hill School for the Gifted in Springfield.



FIRST-GRADER KRISTEN D'AMATO is one of the fortunate Agawam youngsters who are benefitting from the expertise of elementary art instructor Thais Wright, whose article on a circus unit created at Clark School was recently published in a national magazine for art educators. Advertiser/News Photo By Jack Devine.

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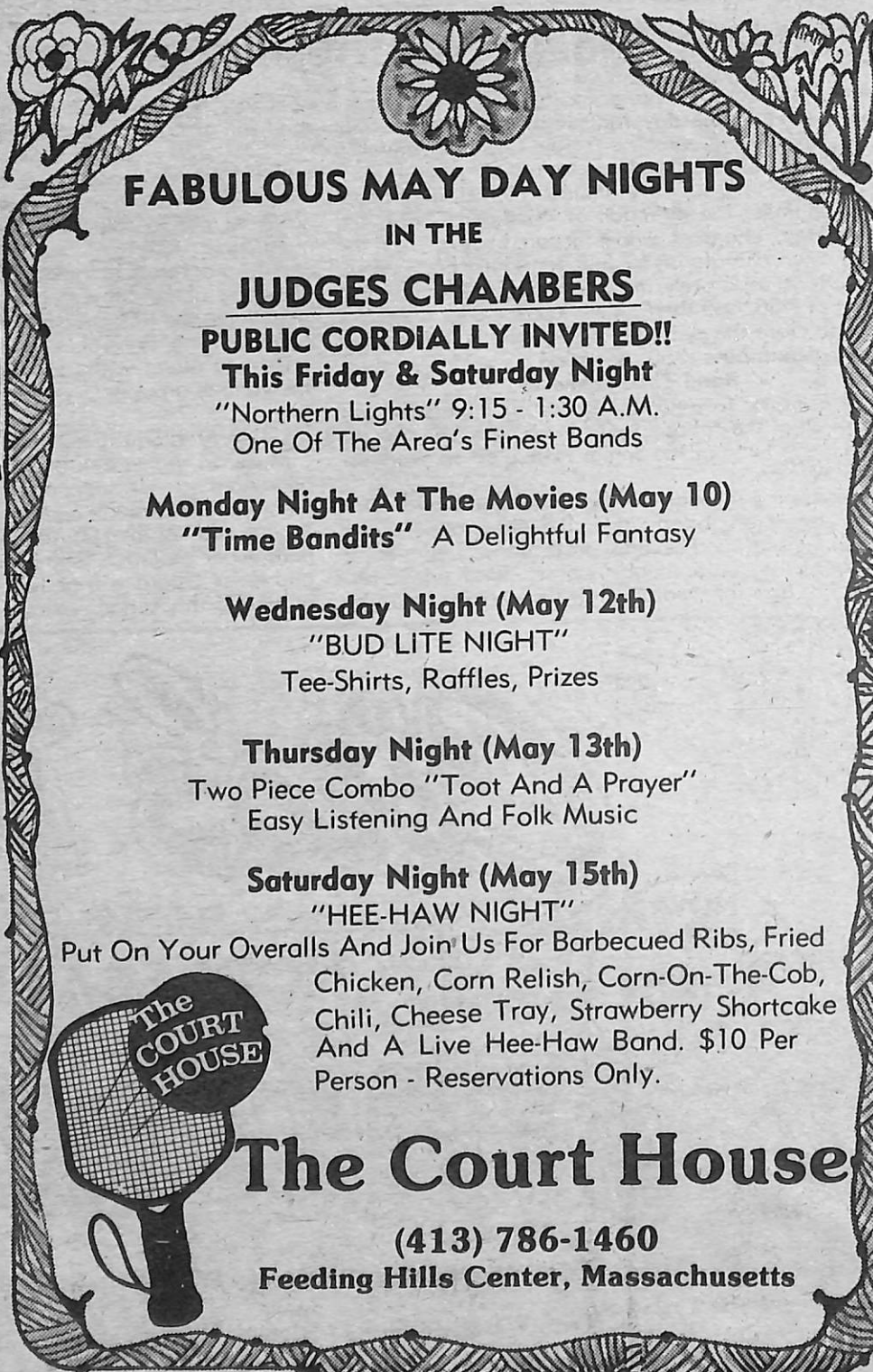
The focus of the seminar will be on acquiring skills that will allow

retirees to enjoy retirement. Specific topics to be covered include financial security, retirement benefits, choosing where to live, health and physical fitness issues, will, and estate planning.

Leader for the seminar will be James W. McKenna, Associate Dean of

Career Planning at the college.

The registration fee will cover all workshop materials and spouses are encouraged to attend at no cost. Enrollment will be limited. For further information, call the Office of Economic Development Projects at the college, 568-3311, Ext. 230.



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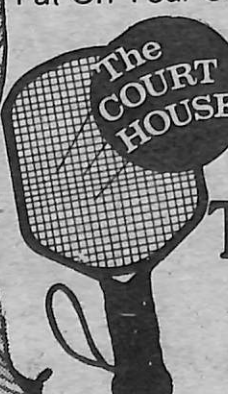
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John Favreau Granted Annual Book Award

John Favreau, a junior at Agawam High School, was recently named the recipient of the Dartmouth Book Award granted annually to outstanding juniors in each area high school by alumni of the college.

The son of Raymond and Ann Favreau of 90 Pleasant Drive, John is first in his class at Agawam High, a past member of the "As Schools Match Wits" team, captain of the school's swimming team, has participated in the Sacred Heart Church's Easter play for two years, and serves as lecturer at the church at weekly masses.

Criteria for awarding this honor include scholastic ability, community activity, and leadership in extra-curricular activities.

The book award consists of a Webster's dictionary embossed with gold lettering to each recipient.

Knox Trail District Presents Scouting Awards

The Knox Trail District of the Pioneer Valley Council Inc., Boy Scouts of America held its Annual Scouters Recognition Banquet on Wednesday, April 28th at the Knights of Columbus in West Springfield. The Knox Trail District administers the Cub, Scout, and Exploring programs in Agawam, Blandford, Chester, Granville, Huntington, Montgomery, Southwick, Westfield and West Springfield.

The Knox Trail District presented the "District Merit" award to two outstanding scouters for their long term contribution to Cubbing and Scouting. The two recipients were: Mary McCarthy, Pack Committee Chairperson of Pack 77, sponsored by the Catholic Men's Club of St. John the Evangelist Church in Agawam, and Raymond LaBorde Sr., Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 84, sponsored by the Mittineague Congregational Church in West Springfield.

Mary has been active in Cubbing for 16 years, serving Pack 77 as a Den Leader, Den Leader Coach, Chairperson of Publicity, Awards and Sustaining Membership committees. She has been awarded the Den Leader and Den Leaders Coach Training Awards and has been a leading contributor to Cub Scouting in Agawam.

The Scouters Key award was presented to Thomas Tourville, Scoutmaster of Troop 75 in Feeding Hills; Levi St. Onge, Cubmaster of Pack 106 in Westfield, and Anthony Nunes, Scoutmaster of Troop 570 in West Springfield. Receiving the Den Leaders Award was Karol Lacombe of Pack 77 in Agawam.

The Pioneer Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America is a member of the Pioneer Valley United Way and the United Way of Holyoke, Granby and South Hadley.

May Is Music Month In Agawam Schools

A series of musical programs by Agawam students will begin on Wednesday, May 12th, when three school chorus groups will combine for the Chorus Festival in the Agawam High School auditorium.

Participating groups will include the Middle School choruses under the direction of William Hughes, the Junior High choruses under Susan Brown, and the Senior High chorale under Stephen Files. Each group will perform separately at the evening program which begins at 7:30, and then all will combine for a special finale to close the program. The public is invited and asked to contribute a 50¢ donation.

Band Time Scheduled

The second festival scheduled this month will feature all of the school bands in a combined concert called Band Time at the Senior High gym on Wednesday, May 19th.

Participating groups include the combined fifth grade elementary band under the direction of Sally Lowell, the sixth and seventh grade bands under Scott Thomson, the Junior High Concert Band under Mr. Thomson, and the Senior High Concert Band under

Zachary Tileston. This program will start at 7:30 p.m. and will also request a 50¢ donation.

String Concert Slated

The Agawam schools string program will be featured in a program slated for Wednesday, May 26th, at the Middle School auditorium beginning at 7:30 p.m.

This program will include all string groups under the direction of Dorothy Hegarty featuring fourth grade beginners, the fifth grade combined group, the Middle School String Ensemble, and the Junior High String Ensemble along with several combined selections by the various groups.

Memorial Day Parade Appearances

Music in the month of May will close with the appearances of all secondary bands in the Agawam Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 31. The Middle School and Junior High Bands will combine for their parade performance. The Senior High Marching Band and Color Guard will perform in their final marching routine of this school year.



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Laughing Brook Presents Artist's Reception

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden is holding an Artist's Reception on Sunday, May 9 at 2 p.m. Longmeadow artist Andrew Magee will be present at his one-man show, which runs through June 17.

Featured in this exhibition are works with a natural history theme, primarily. Most of the pieces are of birds, mammals, plants, flowers and fish found in New England where Magee has spent his life.

The show includes paintings that are executed in detailed watercolor and gouache; limited edition etchings, most of which are watercolored over the etching base; and small detailed pencil drawings, some of which took up to 30 hours each to finish.

Most of the plants and animals displayed were drawn from life. In renditions of behavior, sometimes scores of photographs were taken and used to make the initial sketches accurate and realistic. Magee's art is based entirely on his intimate knowledge of his subjects through his extensive observations of wildlife in natural habitats.

Presently, the artist's work is being shown in the prestigious gallery, The Sportsman's Edge, in Manhattan. Pieces on display at Laughing Brook will be available for sale through the Audubon Shop.

Admission to the Artists Reception is free. For more information call Laughing Brook at 413-566-8034.

Pack 78 Visits Bronx Zoo

On Saturday, May 1st, three busloads of cub scouts and webelos from Pack 75 sponsored by Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills, visited the Bronx Zoo. Everyone enjoyed the trip immensely, though most returned with spirits high and feet sore.

On May 16th, the pack will hold a clean-up at the church area - both grounds and ball fields - in return for all the parish has done for the pack.

THE ANNUAL TRIP TO WASHINGTON D.C., for the Agawam School Safety Patrol was April 29th, 30th and May 1st.

Safety Officer Alfred J. Longhi (far right) took a large contingent on the three-day junket and would like to thank all of the town agencies, clubs, businesses, and individuals who donated funds to make this annual event possible once again. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

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Letters To The EDITOR

AA/N Articles Aid Cancer Campaign

To The Editor:

I'd like to thank the *Agawam Advertiser/News* for the many articles being publicized regarding the Cancer Crusade.

Your help has made it possible to continue the American Cancer Society's program of research, education, and services to cancer patients.

Gratefully,
Susan Nardi
House-To-House Chairman

Citizens Protest Treasurer's Remarks

To The Editor:

The Agawam Citizens for Good Government-Group B takes issue with Mr. David Gallano's comments (Town Treasurer) made in the *Agawam Advertiser/News* in reference to Water Department surpluses.

Since when does a Town Treasurer establish Water Department policy? Perhaps Mr. David Gallano had better stick to his own job - we feel he has had enough trouble handling that!

Mr. David Gallano stated in the press that "There is only one legal solution to the controversy surrounding the Water Department surpluses..." We DISAGREE.

At an earlier date, Mr. Gallano claimed in the press that there was no reference in the Town Code about refunding the surpluses back to the homeowner, which we feel is another option. We refer Mr. Gallano to Page 81, Section 19-11 of the Town Code, and we quote: "...and in case a surplus should remain after payment for such new construction, the water rates shall be proportionately reduced..."

Mr. Gallano states his legal solution "could save the Town \$90,000." If Mr. Gallano was a capable investor, then he would realize that paying cash outright would, in this instance, actually lose money over an extended period of time.

Why didn't Mr. Gallano speak up when these very surpluses were on the verge of being transferred out of the Water Department budget into the General Fund? He collected and invested these surplus monies and

sat by, silently, while others denied the surpluses existed! He sat by, silently again, as Councilor Andrew Gallano sponsored the motion that cost the taxpayers \$5,000 to audit the Town's books to determine the existence of surpluses!

We are not asking for the money to be refunded to us outright, but that the excessive surpluses be returned to the people in the form of reduced rates.

Are David Gallano's statements being allowed simply to tell us, the taxpayers, that there will be NO reduction in our water rates?

Agawam Citizens For Good Government-Group B

Rose Costa, President
Wayne Riendeau, Vice President
Carla Philp, Secretary
Joanne Remillard, Treasurer

Pineview Residents Reply To Comments

To The Editor:

Your editorial of April 22, 1982, titled "Pineview Circle Residents Should Stick With Issue" represented some very shallow thinking.

Ordinarily, condominium projects are the best of multi-family housing. But the real issue is whether the Town of Agawam can stand the current madness of building monstrous multi-family housing on every piece of land a developer can get his hands on.

We have Proposition 2½ whether we like it or not. Our fire and police officials have testified over and over that they do not have the manpower nor the materials to handle future housing. What do you think will happen to everyone's homeowners' insurance premiums in the next few years? What dollar value, in increased taxes paid by multi-family housing, do you place on lives lost due to inadequate fire and police protection?

So, you see, the problem is greater than the low-income housing project they are trying to build near Pineview Circle. These housing projects will have a large impact on the Town of Agawam for years to come.

Until groups of individuals band together to say "we've had enough" this madness will continue.

The *Advertiser*, as do all newspapers, enjoy the privilege "freedom of the press."

That freedom of the press should not be used to limit an individual's or groups of individuals' freedom of speech to speak out on issues that concern them.

Sincerely,
Robert J. Regish
11 Pineview Circle

WestMass Thanks Residents

To The Editor:

The WestMass Area Development Corporation received final approval from the Agawam Town Council on May 3, 1982 to proceed as a partner with the public and private sectors of Agawam in a large scale, long term development project; the creation of an industrial park at the Bowles site.

Over the years, WestMass has developed other such projects in East Longmeadow, West Springfield and Springfield in the same partnership fashion, but no other project holds such a bright opportunity or so large a promise of achieving the desired goals of job creation and tax generation for the ultimate beneficiary, the Town of Agawam.

We wish to publicly thank all those who were involved in the project, both pro and con, for their serious deliberation, enormous energies and final vote of confidence.

WADC looks forward to placing its full resources behind the timely and successful development of this project.

Very truly yours,
WestMass Area Development Corporation
Gordon N. Oakes, Jr., President



From The Third

By Edward W. Connelly
MA State Rep.
Third Hampden District

House Budget Passed

After three consecutive sessions, each ending at midnight, the House version of the 1983 budget passed and was sent to the Senate.

According to precedent, the Senate will (1) dump the document into the nearest waste basket, (2) display their version of what the budget should be (3) prepare for at least one week of Conference Committee meetings, some announced and some not announced.

The 12 millions in "goody" amendments tacked on by House members will probably disappear for the most part in the Senate version.

Some of these amendments were accepted by the Speaker on a voice vote and therefore had no House roll call vote foundation.

Nevertheless, the budget process this year moved quickly, despite the necessity of moving to end all debate by cloture in the final hour of the third session. Democracy by any other name, etc. etc.

Fortunately, the cities and towns do now have adequate fiscal information relating to local aid distribution and can go about the business of local budgets without the annual guessing game and wishful thinking. For the first time in memory, this vital information was agreed to and supported in both branches, prior to budget passage. Therefore, a large area of disagreement has been dealt with.

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EDITORIAL

Council Must Show Strength On Budget

Now that Town Manager Edward A. Caba has officially released his municipal budget for fiscal year 1983, Town Council and its subcommittees will soon begin reviewing and voting on departmental budgets followed by a vote on the entire package.

Caba's \$18.9 million budget has received both praise and criticism, with most of the negative remarks being launched by the School Department, members of which are upset that Caba is recommending to the council that the school budget be sent back to the School Committee for further cuts.

This year's town budget is especially difficult in two ways.

First, we cannot expect the same amount of local aid (\$1.7 million) from the state this year. In all probability, Agawam, in the future, as well as many cities and towns, cannot expect the Commonwealth to continue the flow of local aid as in the past.

This must be considered not only in next year's fiscal budget but for many years to come. The restraints of Proposition 2 1/2 are here to stay, and the ability of the town to continue delivering municipal services will be strained, for sure.

Second, all seven municipal unions have already begun or will shortly begin negotiations on new contracts which, in the eyes of all union chiefs, should include fair pay raises and fringe benefits.

The council will have to weigh carefully the budget presented by Caba and take into consideration how much it may cost the town in additional funds to meet contract requirements.

The town's ability to provide municipal services and fair contracts to its employees and also to keep personnel and deliver municipal services is a tall order.

We have said many times in this space that adding to the town's tax base is one way to ensure the above, and two votes on development at Monday's meeting gave us our first indication the council understands this.

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM
CECILE STREET STREET ACCEPTANCE
Petition No. 82-05 Town of Agawam

The Street Acceptance Committee, Designated Agent of the Town Council, with which was filed the petition of the Superintendent of Public Works praying that Cecile Street so called a public way in Agawam, County of Hampden, Massachusetts, be laid out and established as a public way from a point at its intersection with Brien Street to its terminus at a cul-de-sac at property now or formerly of Mischisca under the provisions of law authorizing the same and also to layout and establish the grades therein, hereby gives notice that it shall meet at the intersection of Cecile Street and Brien Street on May 22, 1982, at 10:30 a.m. to view the premises, hear all persons interested, determine whether the Board shall recommend a taking of land for the purposes stated in said petition, estimate any resulting damages from a taking.

John Shaughnessy
Thomas Coppola
Alfred Trehey
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STREET ACCEPTANCE COMMITTEE
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LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM
ELMAR DRIVE STREET ACCEPTANCE
Petition No. 82-03 Town of Agawam

The Street Acceptance Committee, Designated Agent of the Town Council, with which was filed the petition of the Superintendent of Public Works praying that Elmar Drive so called a public way in Agawam, County of Hampden, Massachusetts, be laid out and established as a public way from a point at its intersection with Hickory Street under the provision of law authorizing the same and also to layout and establish the grades therein, hereby gives notice that it shall meet at the intersection of Elmar Drive and Hickory Street on May 22, 1982, at 9:00 a.m. to view the premises, hear all persons interested, determine whether the Board shall recommend a taking of land for the purposes stated in said petition, estimate any damages resulting from a taking.

John Shaughnessy
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STREET ACCEPTANCE COMMITTEE
Published May 6th, 1982

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM
HENDOM DRIVE STREET ACCEPTANCE
Petition No. 82-04 Town of Agawam

The Street Acceptance Committee, Designated Agent of the Town Council, with which was filed the petition of the Superintendent of Public Works praying that Hendom Drive so called a public way in Agawam, County of Hampden, Massachusetts, be laid out and established as a public way from a point at its intersection with South Westfield Street to its terminus at a cul-de-sac some 240 feet west of Paul Revere Drive under the provision of law authorizing the same and also to layout and establish the grades therein, hereby gives notice that it shall meet at the intersection of Hendom Drive and Elmar Drive on May 22, 1982, at 9:45 a.m. to view the premises, hear all persons interested, determine whether the Board shall recommend a taking of land for the purposes stated in said petition, estimate any damages resulting from a taking.

John Shaughnessy
Thomas Coppola
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STREET ACCEPTANCE COMMITTEE
Published May 6th, 1982

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM
BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Annex Building, Agawam, THURSDAY, May 13, 1982 at 8:30 P.M. o'clock to all parties interested in the appeal of FRANK SOLITARIO who is seeking a Special Permit in accordance

with Section 20-64, Paragraph 7(e) of the Zoning Ordinance to allow the construction of sixteen (16) single family residences on the premises known as HAMPDEN FIELDS located at the rear of 641 RIVER ROAD.

By Order Of The
Board of Appeals
Theodore A. Progulski
Chairman
Published April 29th and
May 6th, 1982

CORRECTION: Last week we incorrectly printed the date for the Board of Appeals public hearing in the appeal of Frank Solitario. The correct date of the hearing should have read: MAY 13th.

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LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM
BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Annex Building, Agawam, THURSDAY, MAY 13, 1982 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock to all parties interested in the appeal of F.L. ROBERTS and BAYBANK VALLEY who are seeking relief from Section 20, Paragraph 8(e) of the Zoning Ordinances to allow the installation of a driveway off South Westfield Street to service a proposed automated banking facility on the premises identified as 6 SOUTH WESTFIELD STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Theodore A. Progulski, Chairman
Published: April 29 and May 6, 1982

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM
CARMEN AVENUE STREET ACCEPTANCE
Petition No. 82-06 Town of Agawam

The Street Acceptance Committee, Designated Agent of the Town Council, with which was filed the petition of Paul Forgette and others praying that Carmen Avenue so called a public way in Agawam, County of Hampden, Massachusetts, be laid out and established as a public way from a point at Maynard Street to Liberty Street under the provisions of law authorizing the same and also to layout and establish the grades therein, hereby gives notice that it shall meet at the intersection of Maynard Street and Carmen Avenue on May 22, 1982, at 11:15 a.m. to view the premises, hear all persons interested, determine whether the Board shall recommend a taking of land for the purposes stated in said petition, estimate any damages resulting from a taking.

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SPORTS



BROWNIE GIRLS IN ACTION LAST WEEK. The girls currently sport a 3-3 overall record. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

SHAA Girls Score 1st Win

The team sponsored by Edward's Drug Store in the Sacred Heart Athletic Association's 13-15 girls league won its first victory of the season last Monday against the team sponsored by Kinsley Trucking.

The game was close until the fourth inning when Edward's broke it open to clinch the win. Pitcher Darlene Vignato was credited with the victory.

Losing pitcher was Lisa Waniewski, who turned in a fine performance in her first attempt on the mound in this league.

Softball Game To Benefit Agawam Special Olympics

Hear ye! Hear ye! The greatest softball game in the area will take place at Sacred Heart field in Feeding Hills on Sunday, May 23rd, at 1 p.m. The special education staff will oppose members of the Agawam Junior Women's Club to help raise funds for Agawam's Special Olympics team.

The local olympics team will compete in the district meet in Palmer and then at the state meet in Boston.

Additional funds are needed in order to allow our local youngsters to compete.

For further information, contact Carol Couchon at 786-5291 or Barbara Connery at 786-2671.

Frasco Hurls Brilliant One-Hitter In Brownie 3-1 Win

By Chris Hout

Sophomore pitcher Gina Frasco hurls the Agawam Brownies to a 3-1 victory over Longmeadow High with a brilliant one-hitter Monday night at Agawam High in girls softball action.

The win lifts Agawam's record to 3-2 in B Division play and an even 3-3 in the overall standings.

The Brownies soared scored all the runs they would eventually need to win the ball games in the first inning. Terry Oulette and Betsy O'Keefe picked up RBI singles in the inning. Debbie Dalton also picked up an RBI.

The sophomore hurler, who wasn't even the starting pitcher at the season's outset, fanned five Lancer enroute to the victory. Longmeadow touched Frasco for their only hit and run of the ballgame in the second frame.

"My starting pitcher at the start of the year was Betsy O'Keefe," said Agawam Coach Larry Sheehan. "But when she began to have control problems I went to Gina and she's been doing the job ever since."

"Actually, Gina was almost a member of the junior varsity," said Sheehan. "I was forced to take her because of the numbers (player turnout). And now I'm glad I did. She has been just super for us (3-0)."

Sheehan says Gina's biggest assets are control and the ability to field her position.

"Gina is fundamentally sound. She is always around the plate which is very important and is an excellent fielding pitcher. She really helps herself out on the mound," he said.

AHS Runners Slate 5-Mile-Run-a-thon

On Saturday, May 8th, the combined boys and girls track teams from Agawam High School will participate in a 5-mile Run-a-thon. the purpose of the event is to raise funds for a banquet honoring the students at the end of the season.

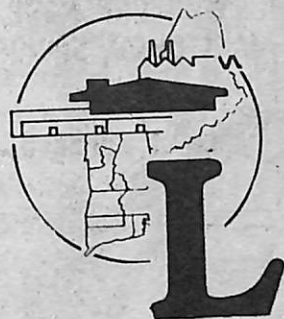
Each athlete is attempting to gain pledges for the number of miles he or she completes. The run will start at 10:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church, proceed down Mill Street, over Rowley Street to Springfield Street and back to Sacred Heart.

Coaches Gus Young and Kathy Spellacy and their assistants will supervise the run and verify all pledge sheets. The Track Parents Association will help, and refreshments will be served to the students when they finish.

The track banquet this year will be held at the Junior High School on May 26th. Tickets are \$6 per person. Anyone interested in attending can contact Renee Jury or any member of the Track Parents Association before May 21. The next scheduled meeting of the Track Parents is May 17th at the high school. If your child is a member of either the boys or girls track team, please plan to attend.

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Bay State Oilers Place Disappointing Third In Tourney

By Chris Hout

The Bay State Oilers of Agawam finished third in a men's softball tournament held last weekend in Northampton.

The Oilers, who came in second the weekend before in a tourney at Fort Devens, MA, went 3-2 for the Northampton festivities.

Bay State won their initial three games of the tourney and found themselves in a no worse than third place finish going into Sunday's action.

But Muchmores of Greenfield and Bo's Lounge of Chicopee dealt the much heralded Oilers' consecutive losses to knock them from the action.

"Considering our position going into the final day our third place finish is somewhat disappointing," said Bay State manager Jay Denver. "I knew it would be tough to defeat Muchmores (eventual winners) but I figured we would take second place anyway. We were the second best team in the tournament."

Bay State started off on the right foot with a 19-3 trouncing of B.G. Mechanical from Holyoke. Skip Sherman led the locals with a 4-4 performance. Zupo also had four hits and four RBI's. Dick "Crane" Williamson and Donnie Progulske added solo homers.

Bay State went to 2-0 in the tourney with a 16-7 victory over the scrubbers from Springfield. Mike Jiles was 3-4, but the real story belonged to the "Crane." Crane belted three consecutive homers over the 280 foot fence that stood eight feet high, accounting for seven RBI's.

Bay State then moved to 3-0 with a 16-5 drubbing over the Red Fez, another team from Agawam's A Division who finished fifth overall in the Northampton tournament.

Dick Stepanien went 2-2, while the Sherman brothers, Skip and Earl, combined for two homers and seven RBI's.

That was the last victory of the tourney for the Oilers as they went 0-2 on Sunday.

Their first loss came against Muchmores by a 7-2 count. Crane added his fifth homer of the tourney in that one, but Muchmores cranked out two of their own in gaining the win.

"I was really pleased in that we were the only team that Muchmores faced in the tournament that didn't get blown out," said Denver. "We didn't hit either (eight total). If we had maybe we could have surprised them."

Speaking of surprises, there were none bigger than the next game. Bo's Lounge of Chicopee blasted away at Bay State 21-6 to knock the Oilers from the competition.

The defensively sound Oilers committed an unheard of 10 errors to aid Bo's in the win.

"Everything just fell apart," said Denver. "It was just a disaster. We handed them their first five runs of the game and that gave them all the momentum they needed."

Crane added his sixth homer of the tourney in the loss while Bobby Shanley went 1-1 and Zupo 2-3 with two RBI's.

Brownie Take 6-4 Win Over Lancers On Error

By Chris Hout

The Agawam baseball Brownies pulled out their third win of the season in dramatic fashion Tuesday, a 6-4 win.

The win continued Agawam's attempt to climb out of an early season slump which had all the ingredients to poison what was supposed to be a banner season for the locals.

Going into the seventh and final inning against Longmeadow, the highly-touted Brownies trailed, 4-3. Tony Venturini led off the frame with a walk and was substituted in favor of pinch-runner Bobby Maltoni. Boo Smith then sacrificed Maltoni into scoring position.

Bobby Eggleston then lined out to third base for the second out of the inning. Scott Negrucci then hit what appeared to be a game-ending ground out to short, but the throw took the first baseman off the bag and Coach Gerry Smith sent Maltoni around third and to the plate.

"It was a mistake on my part to send Maltoni," Smith would later admit. "Fortunately things worked out for us. A good throw would have nailed him."

Timmy Ayre then followed Negrucci with a single and Kevin Barnes won the ballgame with a bases clearing triple to center.

Junior Tony Bryant, the fourth Agawam pitcher of the day, gained the mound win for the Brownies with four innings of work. Bryant also struckout the final two Longmeadow hitters with the tying runs on base.

"I think we are coming out of our little slump," said Smith. "We are really starting to hit the ball (nine hits against Longmeadow, 18 runs against South Hadley the game before). If only our pitching came through we'll be alright. I think if they (pitching staff) can put a few good games together things will fall into place."

Landers Member Of Springfield College Lacrosse

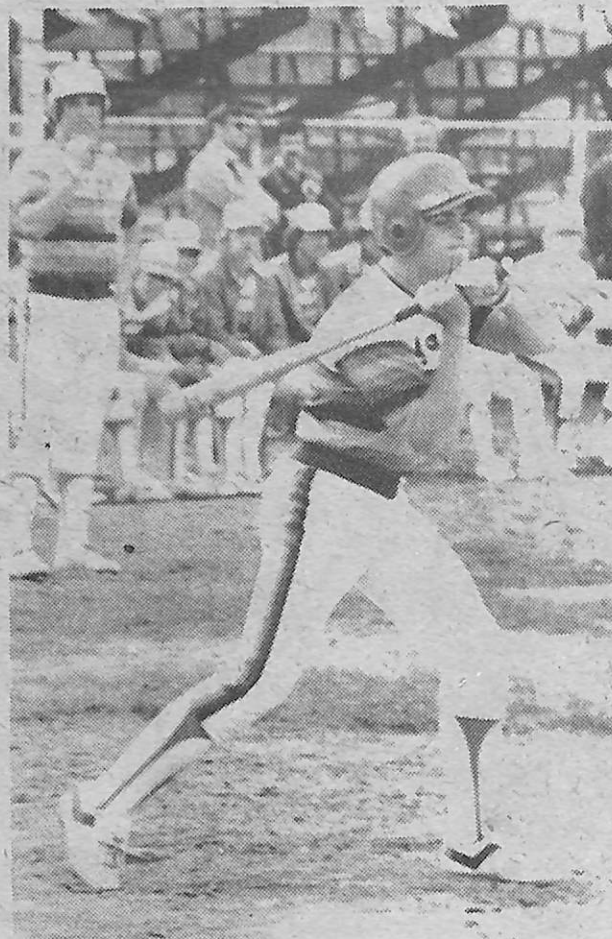
Barb Landers of Feeding Hills is a member of the 1982 Springfield College Women's Lacrosse team, which opened its season at home recently against Yale University.

The Maroons, coached by Dr. Malvian Rau, will play a competitive 15-game schedule which includes such schools as Hofstra, UMass, Boston College and the University of Conn.

A health fitness major at Springfield, Barb the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Landers of 94 Kensington Street, Feeding Hills and a graduate of Agawam High School.

Barb is a tri-captain for Springfield.

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AGAWAM'S TONY VENTURNI grimaces as he checks his wing during action against South Hadley last week. The Brownies won, 18-6. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

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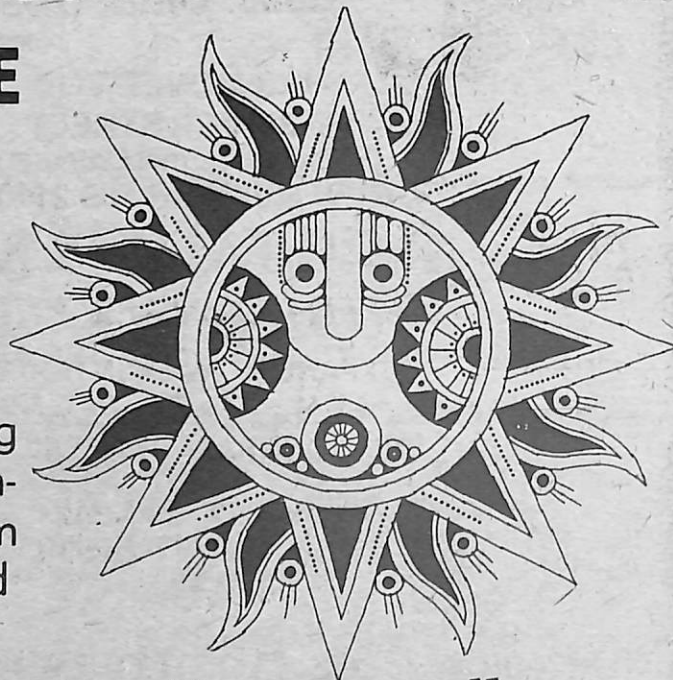
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Soccer Association Holds Sign-Ups



AGAWAM SOCCER ASSOCIATION OFFICIALS from left, John Powers, Rich Parola and Dave LaPlante sign-up youngsters from left, Jason Poole, Derek Poole and Lisa Hallek at last Saturday's sign-up for fall soccer. Record numbers of local youth are coming out for the ASA program this year. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

Sartwell Set To Coach Soccer Camp

Robert Sartwell, head soccer coach at Agawam High School, will serve again this year as one of the main coaches at Westfield State College Soccer Camp from July 11 through the 17th.

Jim Fonte, WSC varsity soccer coach and founder of the camp, is very happy to have someone with Sartwell's talent and dedication to work at his camp.

"I have had such a great demand for a girl's camp that I decided to include the girls this year. Agawam has become one of the most up-and-coming soccer towns in the area."

Coach Sartwell has been responsible for forming teams at the Hargrave Military Academy in Virginia and played his college soccer at American International College. Last year, his high school team made the Western-Mass. Tournament.

Those wishing more information about the camp are asked to contact Coach Fonte at 786-5692. The ages are 8 to 16 year-old girls and boys. The camp will be organized in different categories for girls and boys of different age and ability levels.

Marty Radewick Seeks Berth In Grand Nationals

The dictionary defines determination as a great firmness to carry out a purpose. Marty Radewick of Agawam, Mass. is one of many Nascar Winston Modified drivers that has such a purpose. That purpose is to win and become a Winston Cup Grand National Driver.

At the age of eighteen Marty was left with the burden of running the well-established family owned business, Agawam Burr and the childhood dream of being a race car driver at his hometown track, Riverside Park Speedway. After years of hard work and determination, Marty at the age of 28 has done both successfully.

In his first year of competition in the Nascar Modifieds at the quarter mile Riverside Park Speedway he was named "Rookie of the Year" driving the Fred Rosner built Mustang II. Financial problems forced him to look for a new ride in 1977. He teamed up with noted Riverside car owner Ed Connelly before teaming up with Fred Felton and driving a Monza modified referred to as the "Radical Racer" on the open competition circuit.

Lifetime Dream Came True

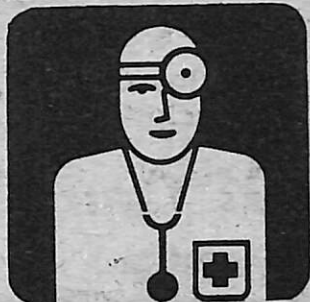
During the last six years Marty has won a total of eleven feature events at Riverside, Monadnock and Waterford. When we asked his most noted win and favorite he said it was his first win at Riverside. "I am a hometown boy and it was a dream of a lifetime to win a Nascar event before all his friends and family. With a racing operation in excess of \$100,000 Marty and car owner Tom Thomas have developed one of the most feared teams ever to set their goals on winning the 1982 Riverside Winston Racing Series Crown.

Car owner Tom Thomas is also a veteran race car driver and owner who was severely injured in a work related accident and is confined to a wheel chair but that doesn't dampen his devotion, financial support and ability to provide a show winning professional racing operation. Tom Thomas 21 Racing Team is made up of two Evans built cars, Troyer modified, Dirt Modified, and a Street Stock. All are prepared to perfection by Artie Cooley and crew.

What's ahead for Marty in 1982 is running on a full time basis for the points at Riverside Park Speedway and Thompson International Speedway. "I have a lot of confidence in myself and the team. With the help of National Modified Champion Richie Evans and engine builder Bill Flynn, Marty will accomplish his goals and set his sight on the Winston Cup Circuit. Marty will give it his all. The only way he knows with determination.

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Sportsmen's Corner

By Bill Chiba

The turkey spring season opened in Vermont and the turkey hunters are out in full blast. Doc Blanchard, West Springfield, and his cohort Doc White are in earnest this year and hope to bag a big Tom. The trout season is also open and good fishing can be had after the 11 o'clock deadline each day. Streams are coming down to normal flow, and the ice is breaking up on the ponds located in the higher elevations. So the turkey hunter can put in a full day of hunting and fishing if he chooses to do so.

Tony Marceil and his fishing partner, Paul Quaglini, just returned from a four-day fishing excursion on Lake Ontario. As usual, they were at the mercy of the wind. They did get to fish two full days.

The fishing was very slow and the size of the fish were small, three to four pounders. Tony reports that the bait fish were by the thousands, and the "moon" eyes were floating dead on top by the hundreds. The large browns have a ball when this happens and the fishermen have to present their lures in a fashion that excites the stuffed predators. They have a bellyful of bait fish so the lure has to irritate them before they will strike. There are various ways this can be done successfully, and the experienced fisherman knows them.

The Vermont Fish and Game Department asks that you report any bear family sighting that you come across. They suggest that you contact either a warden or the state police immediately; don't wait a couple of days before reporting it. The method of capture and natural bear movement necessitate timely calls.

Once located, the female bear and family will be treed by trained bear dogs. Nets will be erected to safely catch tranquilized bears. The female bear usually is allowed to fall into the net, but small, six-to-eight-pound cubs are usually lowered to the net by rope or hand.

The captured family is ear-tagged, tattooed, weighed, sexed, aged, carefully checked over, and then released. The capture data and subsequent tag returns will be used to analyze bear family social relationships, cub survival, cub sex ratio, vulnerability to harvest, and movement within their territory.

Bill Duncan and his son Bill recently had a ball catching trout from shore at Otis Reservoir. The water is still down, but gradually rising up. Bill said that they had trout on practically every other cast into the water.

Sam Provo, retired fireman of Agawam, is knocking them dead at the Farmington and Clam Rivers. The Westfield River system has been stocked, and fishermen can be observed from the road flogging the water in their favorite holes.

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Gypsy Moth Development

May 1: Eggs begin hatching, first instar larvae and ballooning (larvae blown by wind), people complaining about small caterpillar nuisance. Leaf buds on maple trees begin to open. Shadbush begins to flower.

May 10: Beginning second instars.

May 15: Beginning of chemical spray period for control, oak foliage about one half to two thirds developed.

May 20: Second instars and some thirds, spray time for first of two spray BT applications.

May 30: Seconds, thirds and some fourths, second BT application time.

June 10: Thirds and fourths, first defoliation noticeable.

June 15: Fourth and fifths, end of chemical spraying period.

June 20: Sixths and few sevenths, larvae begin crawling on trees and buildings in search of pupation sites. Where they are a nuisance on buildings hose them off with plain water.



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Muffler Shop Loses 3-2 Heartbreaker

A rainy and slippery soccer field Monday night saw the Agawam Roadrunner Muffler Shop under 19 boys Pioneer Valley team play their second game of the season against East Longmeadow Allstars, losing a 3-2 heartbreaker.

The players were slipping and sliding on the field trying to control the wet soccer ball against a very strong EL team. EL took an early lead as the wet ball slipped past goalie Tom Fountain, who was playing his second game of soccer in the goal. Tom turned in a fine performance during the first half.

Agawam tied the contest on a pass from Carmen Romeo to Billy O'Brien at the half-time mark. EL came right back to again take the lead, but Agawam's Phil Podgorski passed from his fullback position to wing George Romeo who again tied it up for the Roadrunners. EL took the lead again but Agawam could not

return the favor and the clock wound down to end the contest.

Controlling the midfield for the locals were Tony Caputo, Willie Fairlie, Mike Cormier and Peter Lindsay.

Playing good defense were fullbacks Jim and Phil Podgorski and speedy Mike Petrone. Art Chase took over the duties of goalkeeping in the second half as Fountain played forward.

In the squad's third game of the season, the locals blasted Westover 6-0. The team saw double goals from George Romeo and Davy Jenks with Bill O'Brien and Jim Podgorski accounting for the singletons.

Supporting the offense were Carmen Romeo, Willie Fairlie and all-around defense from Tony Caputo, Mike Cormier, Phil Podgorski and Mike Petrone.

Recording his first shut-out of the season was goalie Tom Fontaine.

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All Eyes On Fordham As Tri-Parish Bowling Gears For Playoffs

All eyes focus on Fordham and Capt. ANN O'CONNELL. They are still in the lead with a 27 win for the round. Close behind is Notre Dame with 24 wins for the round. Fordham teammates all joined in mind and spirit to do their utmost. JANICE MOCCIO with a 269; JOE RESCIGNO (brother of Frank the stylist) with a 282; VIN GOSSELIN with a 102, 103, 97 for a pinfall of 302 and Ann with a 301. Their opponent-none other than St. Mary who is captained by FRANK RESCIGNO did take two wins from Fordham. Fordham managed to take two wins which made possible the 27 wins for them. St. Mary's SANDY PRZESZLO with a 307; Frank Rescigno with a 308 but STU STEWART, brother of STEVE STEWART who bowls with Frank did mighty good for Steve. He came up with a 106, 116, 114 for a pinfall of 336.

Notre Dame captained by JOHN RESCIGNO did manage to take two wins from Catholic University. JIM SNYDER is captain of Catholic University. With the two wins Notre Dame managed to stay in second place just three wins from Fordham who is in the lead. John Rescigno did manage to fell 99, 101, 104 for a pinfall of 304. Catholic University, even with their two wins is in bottom place.

St. Michael captained by MIKE O'CONNELL, husband of Ann is in the lead. They took only one win from Holy Cross. However, they did manage to stay in third place. St. Michael has 23 wins for the round. Mike felled 93, 95, 123 for a pinfall of 311. DEBBIE POIRIER who bowls with St. Michael did try hard felling 87, 108, 92 for a total of 287.

Holy Cross took three wins from St. Michael. EDDIE GALLERANI, drugstore in town fame, felled 101, 109, 104 for a total of 314. MAYBETH COUGHLIN who bowls with Holy Cross did some fine bowling, 119, 107, 87 for a total of 313. Nice bowling, Maybeth.

Georgetown, captained by AL MOCCIO took four wins from Boston College which is captained by his baby brother BOBBY MOCCIO. Boston College, zero, Georgetown, four wins. Quite a match. Al bowled 105, 102, 115 for a pinfall of 322. Bobby bowled 102, 82 and 94 for a pinfall total of 278. This did not help Boston College at all. VENETTA SYNDER, incidentally is Jim's mother-Jim as you know, is captain of Catholic University team, bowls with Georgetown. She was Al's star bowling 112, 88, 92 for a pinfall of 292. Al congratulated her for her help.

St. Anselm, although in ninth place in the standings, did manage to take three wins from St. Louis. PAULA CHRISTOPHER did try by felling 104, 92, 106 for a total of 302. Their opponent was the St. Louis team, captained by JEFF DANNER. Jeff rolled 87, 124, 87 for a total of 298. EDDIE CONNOR who captains St. Anselm took a beating from Jeff. Ed's strings were 96, 91, 87 for a total of 274. Ed complained of a sore arm. You know if that arm is sore, you can't turn in a good string. But we think Ed's problem is he is a work-a-holic at that Riverside Park these days. Jeff better come up with a better than 298 as he is in the roll-offs on May 10th having taken round 1. St. Louis team is the round 1 champions.

Villanova captain ERNIE BLAIR took one win from Loyola, captained by EDDIE ANDERSON. Eddie bowled 101, 96, 113 for a total of 310. STEP STEPANIAN who bowls with Eddie did some fine felling with a 117, 122 and 92 for a total of 331. Eddie quoted - My Star for the evening. Loyola took three wins. GAIL BLAIR helped with her 103, 72, 95, pinfall total of 270. PAULINE DEPALO who bowls on Eddie's team did 83, 83, 101 for a total of 267. That's how its done to take three wins...from your opponent.

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